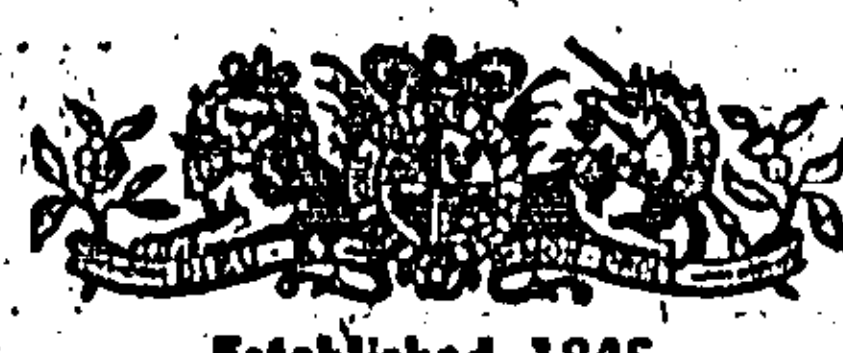


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COMMENT OF THE DAY

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THE United Nations Political Committee has overwhelmingly voted in favour of the Indian proposals for breaking the truce deadlock in Korea, yet for all practical purposes an armistice is as far away as ever. Russia has, in effect, given final notice that she has no desire or intention of assisting in any way to resolve the problem, on the contrary it has been made perfectly clear that the Kremlin will do everything possible to prevent an armistice. The fact that 56 nations have voted approval of the Indian plan means nothing to Russia and it is her obvious intention to exert the strongest pressure on Communist China and North Korea to adopt a similar attitude. The long and at times intense United Nations deliberations appear to have ended in a fiasco. But this is by no means so. If nothing else the debate has exposed the dishonest and specious approach by Russia and her satellites in the United Nations to the whole question of a Korean armistice. Mr Vyshinsky denounces that Indian proposal for the non-forcible repatriation of prisoners of war, at the same time deliberately ignoring that the same proposals offer the fullest safeguards against forcible detention of POWs. Any honest and sincere appreciation of the Indian compromise plan must convince that it is the only one yet advanced which meets previous objections from both sides, and provides by far and away the best prospect of bringing the Korean hostilities to an honourable end.

THE Peking Government has aligned itself with Russia in rejecting the Indian plan—an unhappy example of a foreign Power allowing itself to be influenced against its own better judgment. For there is no doubt that Peking encouraged India to go ahead in presenting her proposals to the United Nations; and it is equally clear that Peking had previously indicated that she was not averse to the basic principles on which the plan was founded. Nor has Communist China made known her reasons for objecting to the proposals since their presentation to the United Nations Political Committee, apart from parroting the Soviet contention that they violate the Geneva Convention relating to prisoners of war. Moreover, this is a generalised allegation which Mr Vyshinsky has made no effort to justify or prove by argument or historical precedent. Peking has led the Indian Government up the garden path for the sole purpose, it would appear, of making a mockery of a genuine attempt to break the Korean truce deadlock; and she has done this wholly at the instigation of Soviet Russia. That India has announced her intention to continue to try to convince China that her proposals can be, and should be accepted, is to be admired. Nevertheless the powerful influence which Russia wields over the Peking regime has to be recognised. While the Kremlin continues to refuse to consider any proposals other than her own, it must be expected that Communist China will chant the same refrain.

UN APPROVES INDIAN TRUCE PLAN

Only Soviet Bloc Votes Against

United Nations, Dec. 1.

The United Nations' top Political Committee today voted approval of India's Korean peace plan despite advance rejection by the Chinese and Korean Communists.

The Russian delegate, Mr Andrei Vyshinsky, declared that there was no hope for a quick armistice agreement in Korea and India's peace formula contained no grounds for such agreement.

A 53-5 tally found only the Soviet bloc voting "no" on the Indian plan and this one-sided margin assured that the Indian blueprint for a Korean truce would be ratified easily by the full General Assembly, where a two-thirds majority is required.

Nationalist China abstained from voting and the Lebanon was absent. The five nations voting against the plan were Poland, the Ukraine, Russia, Byelo-Russia and Czechoslovakia.

SOVIETS ARMING GERMANS

Bonn, Dec. 1.

More than 100,000 Germans are now under arms in the Russian-occupied Eastern Zone of Germany, the British High Commission stated here today.

This is an increase of between 35,000 and 40,000 in the last six months.

A High Commission statement said that an East German Air Force was being built up and now numbers nearly 5,000. An embryo navy possessed four flotillas of minesweepers, and patrol craft with a personnel exceeding 4,000.

"The original embryo army of East Germany is developing into a well organised force equipped with modern weapons and closely supervised by Soviet officers," the statement said.

"The naval and air forces are, at present, at a relatively early stage of development, but all three arms are cadre forces with a high proportion of officers, and as such are capable of rapid expansion into larger forces. If the present coercive methods of recruitment are intensified."

This addition to the military strength of the Soviet bloc made a West German contribution to Western defence "a matter of growing urgency," the statement said.—Reuter.

The Youngest Mother

Stockholm, Dec. 1.

The youngest mother in Sweden will be 14 on New Year's Eve. She recently gave birth to a boy, who weighed nearly seven pounds.

The happy father is 14.

The young couple set a record in Sweden's modern history. The parents still receive the customary government allowance for all Swedish parents with children under the age of sixteen.—Associated Press.

ATOMIC SHELL FORECAST

New York, Dec. 1.

The New York Post columnist, Mr Robert Salter, said today that the United States would fire the first atomic artillery shell in history within 120 days.

He said the test would be held in Nevada with the army's new 280 millimetres mobile cannon unveiled this autumn.—Reuter.

7 Lawyers To Defend African Leaders

Nairobi Dec. 2.

Seven lawyers from six countries are expected to defend Jomo Kenyatta and the five other African leaders.

Mr Denis N. Pitt, Queen's Counsel, (Britain) will lead the defence. He will be assisted by Mr P. Channalal, an Indian lawyer from New Delhi; Mr Robert Davies, one of Nigeria's foremost legal experts; Mr Kola Balogun, Secretary of the National Council of Nigeria; Mr Dudley Thompson, a West Indian lawyer; an Indian lawyer from Nairobi; and another lawyer from the Gold Coast.

Mr Kobina Kessie, an African barrister, briefed in the defence of Jomo Kenyatta, asked the Gold Coast government to intervene on his behalf today. Kenyan officials told him the Kenya government would not permit him entry without a pass.

Mr Kessie arrived at Accra airport from Rome.—Reuter.

Ike Thought To Be In Korea

(From R. M. MacColl)

Washington, Dec. 1.

Mr Dwight Eisenhower, President-elect of the United States, has not been seen in public since leaving his New York hotel late on Friday afternoon.

All signs point to the probability that he is now in Korea to find some way to shorten the war there.

Also "disappeared" over the same period are Mr Eisenhower's press secretary, Mr James Hagerty, and Mr Charles Wilson, Defence Secretary in the new Cabinet. Both were to have accompanied Mr Eisenhower to Korea.

The journey was to have been made under elaborate security precautions, with a heavy fighter escort for Mr Eisenhower's plane.

Reporters in Washington got some idea that something big was afoot when Mr Arthur Vandenberg Jr., son of the late Senator, deputised for the press secretary, Mr Hagerty, at a week-end press conference and was reluctant to talk about Mr Eisenhower's whereabouts.

"The American press has been asked to apply a voluntary censorship over Mr Eisenhower's Korea visit but the responsible 'Baltimore Sun' has already talked about the 'mystery veiling' the whereabouts of Mr Eisenhower," London Express Service.

Door Left Open

Mr Menon made it clear that his proposal left the door open for further negotiations with Communist China and North Korea.

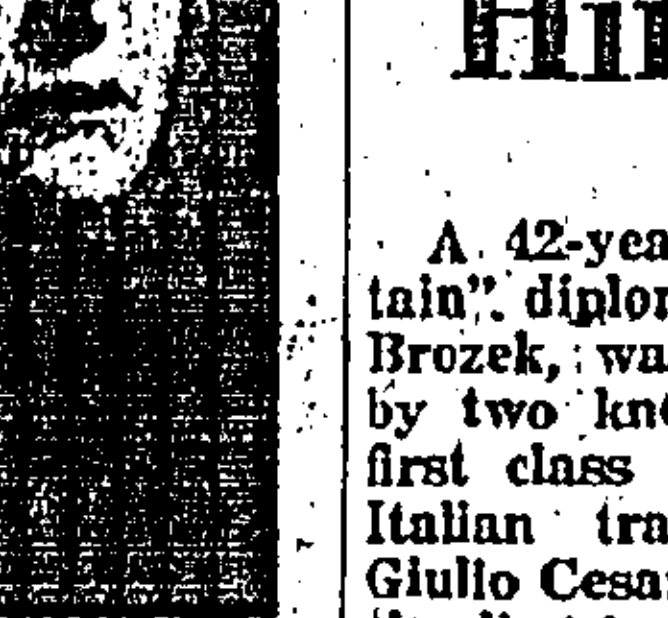
He appealed to the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Andrei Vyshinsky, to help stop the provision that Asian peoples.

Mr Vyshinsky promptly called this appeal "ludicrous."

The Indian delegate claimed that his resolution contained a provision for stopping the fighting within 12 hours, but Mr Vyshinsky said that Mr Menon evidently did not understand what the Soviet Union was driving at.

Mr Vyshinsky attacked the Indian resolution on the ground that it did not contain a definite provision that there should be an immediate ceasefire. "Hostilities must cease forthwith," he repeated several times.—Reuter.

Top picture shows police examining suspects for the seven initiation cuts that mark a Mau Mau terrorist after Dr Dorothy Melkilejohn and her husband had been savagely attacked by members of the Mau Mau in their home in Kenya. Above, Mrs Melkilejohn who drove nine miles on a rough track for help after being slashed with knives by the terrorists. — Daily Express pictures.



His body was found when stewards, receiving no answer to their knocking, broke down the door.

A letter was found near the body.

Police immediately clamped down a tight veil of secrecy on the whole affair refusing even to give the diplomat's nationality.

Fellow passengers, who gave his name and age, said they believed he was either Polish or Czechoslovak and that he was returning home from mission in a South American country.

The Giulio Cesare touched at Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro on its journey but it was not known at which port Brozek embarked.

Passengers said Brozek was "in a very nervous state" during the voyage. He was alleged to have expressed fears for the safety of his family "back home."

Passengers also stated that Brozek told them he was being "escorted" by two Russians.

It was said the two Russians described as diplomatic couriers shared a cabin near his.—Reuter.

Diplomat Hangs Himself

Genoa, Dec. 1.

A 42-year-old "Iron Curtain" diplomat, Mr Ladislao Brozek, was found hanging by two knotted ties in his first class cabin on the Italian transatlantic liner, Giulio Cesare, two days ago, the liner's captain reported to the police tonight.

Ana Pauker Next On The List?

London, Dec. 1.

The former Foreign Minister of Rumania, Ana Pauker, may be the next big Communist to face trial, Radio Bucharest indicated today.

The radio quoted a speech by George Georgiu-Dej, in which the Premier and Communist Party boss said: "In the Rumanian Popular Republic, a big trial against subversive elements is in preparation."

These are the elements which attempted to undermine the country's food supply and food distribution, to turn the Socialist economy into chaos."

When Mrs Pauker was removed from her government and Party posts last spring, one of the charges against her was that she failed in responsibility for collection and distribution of food.—United Press.

Australia Favours New Trade System

London, Dec. 1.

"Australia wholeheartedly supported the idea of multi-lateral trade and payments," Mr Robert Menzies, Prime Minister of Australia, said in the course of his speech here this morning to the Commonwealth economic conference.

Mr Menzies also gave strong support to a South African plea for an increase in the price of gold, now pinned at US\$35 a fine ounce.

Such an increase, he stressed, would make a great contribution to building up the sterling area's gold and dollar reserves.

Mr Menzies praised the working plan submitted by Mr Richard Butler, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, and drafted by high Commonwealth experts before the conference, setting out the views of every Commonwealth country on measures needed to solve the economic, financial, trade and fiscal problems of the sterling area.

The plan envisages new industrial and agricultural development projects in the Commonwealth. It stresses the importance of each Commonwealth country quickly putting its internal economy right.

CONVERTIBILITY

It also considers what steps can be taken towards ultimate convertibility of the pound into foreign currencies, to free world trade.

Mr Menzies argued that the ultimate solution of the sterling area's trade and payments problems lay in the development of its natural resources.

The ability to earn more dollars in turn depended on the area increasing its production of commodities and of manufactured goods that could be sold for dollars.

Mr Menzies said it followed there could be no immediate or dramatic announcement of clear cut solutions of the area's problems. But the conference could agree on working principles which would considerably influence the pattern of events over the next few years.

Outside the conference, an important meeting on the gold price problem took place today between Mr Butler and Mr Nicolaas Havenga, South Africa's Finance Minister.

The discussion, held at Mr Butler's request, delayed the conference for half an hour.—Reuter.

Vampire Jet Crashes Off Waglan

It was officially revealed this morning that a Vampire jet plane of the RAF, 864 KX, crashed into the sea off Waglan yesterday afternoon. The pilot, whose name is being withheld pending notification of the next of kin, was killed.

The disaster occurred at 1.50 p.m. Four aircraft were taking part in an exercise with HMS Opossum, five miles east of Waglan Island. They were carrying out diving attacks against the ship when one plane dived straight into the sea about 200 yards astern of the frigate.

A search was immediately begun and the body of the pilot was later picked up by HMS Opossum and transferred to an RAF air-sea rescue launch.

HONGKONG SHIP ATTACKED

British Captain Killed

Captain R. Adam, master of the British-registered ship Rosita, was killed last night when unidentified parties attacked the ship off Foochow.

The 335-ton Rosita, managed in Hongkong by the Carfung Shipping Company, was on her way back to Hongkong when the attack was made.

The ship, now under the command of a British mate, Mr Eric Shakeshaft, is reported to be continuing her journey to Hongkong and is expected here shortly.

It has not yet been ascertained in Hongkong whether there were any other casualties, or what, if any, damage was suffered by the ship.

Man Found Shot In Paris Hotel

Paris, Dec. 1.

A 20-year-old Saudi Arabian in the entourage of Emir Saud, a son of King Ibn Saud, was found shot through the chest in a Paris West End hotel. He died later in hospital.

The man, Embarak El Sand, was found in his bedroom after the hotel staff had heard a shot. The police have opened an inquiry.—Reuter.

ORLANDO DIES

Rome, Dec. 1.

The elder Italian statesman, Signor Vittorio Emanuele Orlando, died here today at the age of 93.—France-Press.

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Jubilation In France And Dismay In Germany Over Saar Elections

Paris, Dec. 1.

Quarters close to the French Foreign Office tonight described the Saar election result as "a victory for the European idea."

The results were seen here as strengthening the position of M. Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister, who is facing a Parliamentary foreign affairs debate later this week.

Anything approaching 50 per cent of spoiled papers might have had fatal consequences for M. Schuman and the whole Government during the foreign affairs debate, diplomatic quarters said.

Now M. Schuman will be able to face the Assembly with the proof that his policy for a united Europe is a living force and not merely an artificial device, these sources added.

The French Foreign Office regretted that the purely political Saar elections should have become an international issue.

But despite a violent campaign, more than 80 per cent of the electorate expressed their confidence in the parties which stand resolutely for a European unification of the Saar, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

French diplomatic quarters hoped that once the atmosphere had cleared, France and Germany would reopen their negotiations about changes in the present status of the Saar.

Today evening newspapers today gave a splash treatment to the Saar election results.

"GERMAN REBUTT"

The big circulation "Frankfurter Allgemeine" headline reads "German rebuff—electors used to sabotage the ballot. Success for the European policy of France."

"Paris Presse" wrote: "Striking though unexpected success for the European idea: that is the conclusion of the Saar election results."

"Le Monde" stated: "If yesterday's ballot has not yet brought a solution, it at least provides a base on which to build."

The Catholic "La Croix" said: "It is to be desired that the result of the ballot does not provoke bitterness in Bonn and exaggerated optimism in Paris."

The Communist "Ce Soir" said: "The elections were a victory for the United States whose important objective was to assure its economic domination by exercising pressure on both Bonn and Paris."

BONN DISAPPOINTED

Bonn, Dec. 1.

Banner headlines on the front pages of West German newspapers today openly reflected German disappointment at the outcome of the Saar elections.

"Disappointing election—Hoffmann firmly in the saddle," said the "Frankfurt Abendpost."

"Saar elections confirm Hoffmann," said the "Frankfurter Nachrichten."

"It would be good if the Government and the Opposition in Bonn frankly admitted a fiasco," said the "Munich Abendzeitung."

West German political leaders made cautious comments showing disappointment only in undertones.

The Chancellor, Konrad Adenauer, said, as he had said in the past, that he refused to recognize the results.

It was considered significant that he did not issue a written statement but that this comment was made verbally and indirectly on his behalf by Press officials.

WIDELY-HELD VIEW

Dr. Adenauer summed up a commonly-held German opinion by adding that the results would have been more favourable if the pro-German parties had not been banned from taking part in the election.

Herr Thomas Dehler, Free Democrat and Justice Minister, took a more individual line by saying he was convinced that the Saar problem would soon be solved in a few years in a national sense.

The results now obtained contradicted the principles of federalistic reorganization in a free Europe," he said in a printed statement.

"The election does not prove the slightest thing about the political beliefs of the German population in the Saar," he added.

A MISTAKE?

The German party on the extreme right of the Government coalition and the Social Democratic opposition, normally poles apart, today both reproduced the view that the election did not reveal whether

Britain Not Prepared To Pay High Prices

London, Dec. 1.

The Food Minister, Major Gwilym Lloyd George, today questioned in the House of Commons today that he was not prepared to buy coarse grain now available in Turkey because of the very high prices.

Colonel Malcolm Stoddart Scott, Conservative, had asked if the Minister knew that Turkey imported from Britain in the last 10 months seven times more than Britain imported from Turkey.

He urged him to buy more of the available currants and raisins.

Major Lloyd George replied that he was very well aware of this situation.

He had bought a very considerable quantity of raisins of the 1952 crop from Turkey and expected to buy more, subject to agreement as to price and quality.

As far as he knew no currants were available for export from Turkey.

Major Tuffin Beamish, Conservative, had suggested that the Minister should consider buying the very considerable quantity of coarse grain—some of which was available at satisfactory prices could be arranged.

The Government should consider arranging a long-term contract.

Major Lloyd George replied: "I am aware of course of this fact but I would point out that the Turks are asking very high prices—far beyond the world price—which I am not prepared to pay."—Reuter.

JAP WHALERS SET OUT

Tokyo, Dec. 1.

The second Japanese whaling fleet to go South this year left Osaka, central Japan, this morning led by the Tonan Maru of the Japan Fisheries Company.

The fleet consists of 21 ships. Fifteen of them are catcher ships.

The fleet will arrive in the Antarctic Ocean by the end of December. Their target is a catch of 846 whales.—Reuter.

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First Step To Be Taken In The Sterling Area

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

Dulles Going To Paris?

May Attend Next NATO Meeting

Washington, Dec. 1. Some members of President-elect Eisenhower's Cabinet are expected to attend the forthcoming Paris meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

Official quarters expect the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, to invite his successor, Mr. John Foster Dulles, to accompany the American delegation.

Mr. Acheson, together with the Secretary of Defence, Mr. Robert Lovett, the Mutual Security Director, Mr. Averell Harriman, and the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, are expected to represent the United States at the Paris meeting.

The State Department announced today that Mr. Acheson was due to leave for Paris on December 12, three days before the meeting is due to start.

Steel Industry In The P.I.

Manila, Dec. 1. An American industrialist predicts a bright future for the steel industry in the Philippines. Jacques Lourie, managing director of Hydropress, Inc., a leading American steel manufacturing company with offices in New York, visited the Government steel projects under construction by the National Shipyards and Steel Mills Corporation.

Mr. Lourie said the Philippines has abundant resources for raw materials to feed a growing steel industry. Associated Press.

Sven Hodin Buried

Stockholm, Dec. 1. Funeral services were held in Stockholm today for Dr. Sven Anders Hodin, world-famous Swedish explorer of Asia, who died here last Wednesday, aged 87.

Wreaths were received from the King and Queen of Sweden, the German Minister to Stockholm and hundreds of Swedish institutions and private persons. Associated Press.

London, Dec. 1. The Commonwealth Prime Ministers, at their London economic conference today, agreed that the first step towards closing the dollar gap must be taken inside the Sterling Area itself.

This will be done by making better use of the Commonwealth's economic resources so as to expand output of primary products — particularly basic foodstuffs — which either at present cost dollars or have good dollar-earning possibilities.

Balance of payments needs will be a key factor in deciding which development schemes should be encouraged.

The Commonwealth has a strictly limited supply of resources needed for development — technical manpower, capital equipment and finance — and if the best use is to be made of those available some projects must be given priority over others which are less essential from the balance of payments standpoint.

This means that countries which have potentially valuable but undeveloped economic resources or primary industries capable of further development should concentrate on expanding output from these at the expense of costly industrialisation projects.

War Paint May Make Atom Bombs

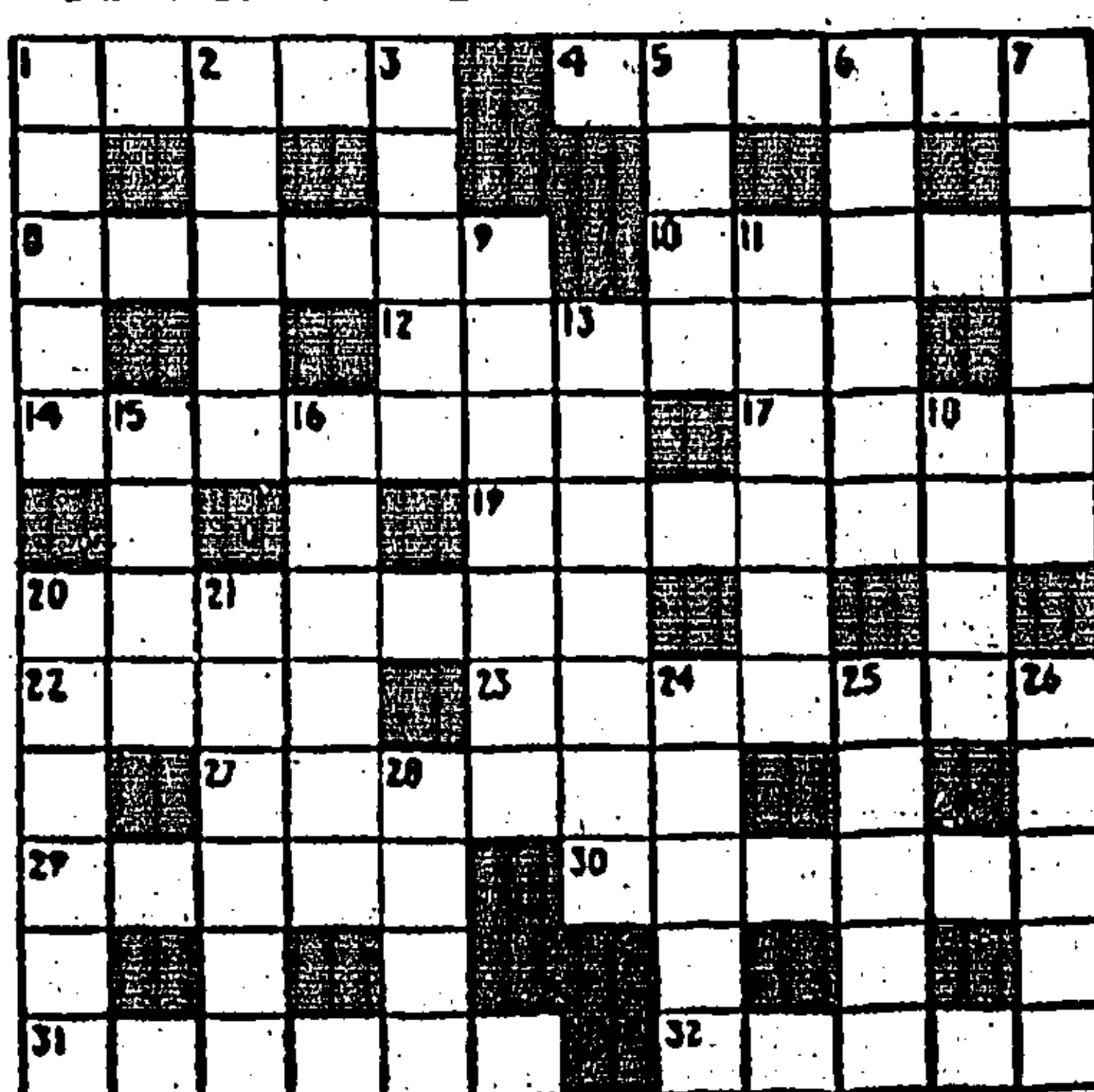
Toronto, Dec. 1. Indians' war paint may make atom bombs following an announcement today that a uranium strike has been made on the Manitou Islands in Lake Nipissing, Ontario.

The Indians say the islands in the 50-mile lake, whose Indian name means "Little Water," are haunted because braves who used the red oxide found there for war paint died later of bone disease. And they say the islands light up in thunder storms.

So white men tested the Indian legends with geiger counters and today the Mines Minister, Philip Kelly, says their find is of more than passing interest.

Best samples are reported to be .11 per cent uranium oxide, a profitable proportion if in big enough amounts.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS:

- 1 Standard (6)
- 4 Culminating point (6)
- 8 Hostile spirit (6)
- 10 Lower (6)
- 12 Looking glass (6)
- 14 Call together (7)
- 17 Land measure (4)
- 19 Collides (7)
- 20 Afternoon performance (7)
- 22 Male name (4)
- 23 Dried fruit (7)
- 26 Nook (6)
- 27 Blazing (6)
- 30 Property (6)
- 31 Wray (6)
- 32 Pie (6)

DOWN:

- 1 Foreign coin (6)
- 2 Strange (6)
- 3 Foam (5)
- 5 Bellow (4)
- 6 Look for (6)
- 7 Views (6)
- 9 Honest (7)
- 11 Brags (6)
- 13 Set free (7)
- 15 Spoken (4)
- 16 More concealed (6)
- 18 Curb (4)
- 20 Control (6)
- 21 List of prices (6)
- 24 Offspring (6)
- 25 Foolish (6)
- 26 Not well (6)
- 28 Prison room (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 3 Approach, 8 Real, 9 Liberate, 11 Prepared, 13 Weds, 15 Battered, 16 Latitude, 19 Sent, 21 Molested, 23 Rotator, 26 Dishes, 27 Discoms. Down: 1 Frog, 2 Pave, 4 Pals, 6 Aware, 7 Hoods, 9 Label, 10 Bore, 12 Philo, 14 Dodge, 16 Taton, 17 Diver, 19 Shred, 20 Notes, 21 Mico, 22 Lahn, 23 To-do, 24 Draw.

Jazz Band For Newly-Weds



A jazz band and showers of confetti greeted Louis Bellson, 28-year-old white drummer in Duke Ellington's band, and Pearl Bailey, 34-year-old Negro singer, after their marriage at Caxton Hall, Westminster, London. It was Miss Bailey's 19th marriage, and her new husband defied his father's wishes in wedding the singer. —Reuterphoto.

Eden's Statement On North Sea Fisheries Dispute

London, Dec. 1.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, said today he would not like to pledge himself to take Britain's fishing dispute with Iceland to the International Court at The Hague without a great deal of further consideration.

"In any event, there will not be a short-term solution, but there may be other and better ways of trying to get a solution," he told the House of Commons.

Spain To Participate In Tangier Committee

London, Dec. 1.

Mr. Anthony Nutting, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, indicated today that Spain would be permitted to hold positions in the International Administration of Tangier under the arrangements recently agreed by the International Committee of Control.

Answering a question in the House of Commons, Mr. Nutting said that he was satisfied on the point of legality, because the modification of the 1945 Anglo-French agreement on the Administration of Tangier had been approved unanimously by the International Committee of Control.

He added that the Spanish regime was not excluded in the 1928 agreement on the International Administration of Tangier, and a return to the 1928 agreement has been made in order to get the administration on to a more international basis.

Asked by the former Labour Foreign-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Ernest Davies, what had caused Britain to change her views about allowing General Franco to take over the administration, he replied:

"We are not allowing any particular nation or individual to take over."

Mr. Nutting said that the Sultan of Morocco had still to signify his approval of the new arrangements.

The Tangier Committee of Control, which is responsible for the International administration, is composed of the local Consuls of Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Holland, Portugal, Spain and the United States. —Reuter.

Urge Assistance For GI Babies

San Francisco, Dec. 1. American Legion representatives from eight Northern California counties have passed a resolution urging assistance for over 100,000 illegitimate children of American occupation troops in Japan, born of Japanese mothers.

The resolution, calling for educational and vocational help for the children, will be submitted to the California Executive Committee of the Legion at Los Angeles next month. —Reuter.

WANT XMAS BONUS

Bruges, Dec. 1. Nearly 2,000 workers at the Steenbrugge works (formerly La Brugge) went on strike today for a Christmas bonus. The majority of the 1,850 workers decided to strike after the management refused them a Christmas bonus of 2,000 Belgian francs each.

The strike did not affect the glass and cement works. —Reuter.

'Blueprint Of Peace' In Middle East: Israeli Plan

DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS WITH ARAB STATES

United Nations, Dec. 1.

Israel today urged direct negotiations with her Arab neighbours for a peaceful settlement of the Palestine problem.

Mr Abba Eban, Israeli delegate, told the General Assembly's Special Political Committee: "In recent months, the air of the Near East has been astir with change. We have the feeling that the United Nations is ready for innovation and renewal."

He did not doubt that "the international community desires to see Israel and the Arab States engage earnestly and together to solve their differences through the normal channels of international intercourse."

"Israel is prepared to make the attainment of peace in its region a primary theme of its national policy, and to bring all its resources of thought and effort to bear on the task," Mr Eban said.

"There are special reasons which lead us to believe that an active quest for peace now holds more promise than ever before."

Mr Eban asserted that only by direct and unfettered peace negotiations could the differences between Israel and the Arab States be solved.

Mr Eban warned against tying the peace negotiations to past resolutions on Palestine.

SIX ASPECTS

Mr Eban listed six major aspects which the Israeli Government believed should figure in direct negotiations:

- (1) Security questions;
- (2) Territorial questions;
- (3) Refugee questions;
- (4) Economic questions;
- (5) Questions of regional co-operation (communications, social and health, scientific and cultural, and technical assistance and co-operation);
- (6) Question of diplomatic and judicial relations.

Mr Eban said negotiations on the security aspect would include a non-aggression clause as well as arms limitation.

REFUGEE QUESTION

The negotiators should also discuss earnestly the question of international co-operation for the solution of the refugee question.

In the economic field, the aim should be to replace the present economic boycott and blockade of Israel by normal economic relations.

Mr Eban said his "blueprint of peace" would "accord with the requirements of our common future."

"The General Assembly and all governments will, we hope, give the most mature and serious and deliberate consideration to this approach," he said.

The privilege of United Nations would be enhanced by adopting the resolution now before the committee, which would call upon Israel and the Arab States to negotiate their differences directly.

TWO MORE DELEGATIONS, Panama and Cuba, today joined the six original sponsors of that resolution.

HISTORIC ERROR

Mr Eban had earlier in his speech warned against tying the peace negotiations to past resolutions on Palestine. Individually and together, they had not produced a settlement and it would stultify the progress of negotiations to limit the parties with any preconceived ideas.

"To conform with any preconceived programmes would be an error of historic magnitude and proportions," Mr Eban said.

Alarmed Shukri of Syria referred to Mr. Eban as "an able painter" who had presented "a masterpiece of a tableau drawn from various angles in many colours and beautiful shades."

But the "masterpiece was lifeless," Mr Shukri said.

"It only breathes aggression, it only speaks violence," he said.

Mr Eban had frankly suggested that all the past resolutions of the General Assembly on Palestine be forgotten.

"How can we accept his theory to be freed from resolutions which have called for the internationalisation of Jerusalem and the repatriation of refugees?" he asked.

It must be with respect to the resolutions of the General Assembly.

Mr Shukri had not ended his speech when the committee adjourned until 3.30 p.m. GMT tomorrow. —Reuter.

ISRAELI-ARAB CLASH

The Israeli and Arab delegations to the United Nations Committee in the Programme Committee in one of the longest and bitterest debates since the UN General Conference opened three weeks ago.

During the discussions of a proposal for a meeting in the Middle East in 1953 of national commissions from Middle Eastern countries, the Israeli delegate, Mr. Chelouche, proposed an amendment to make it clear that all Middle East

members of Unesco should be invited to take part.

The Arab delegation objected to the amendment saying that the conference should use the Arabic language throughout and the country holding the conference should be allowed to choose who should attend.

In the draft proposal Unesco had suggested the conference should be held in Egypt.

The delegate from Jordan said it was essential that the country where the meeting was held could ensure that no undesirable were attending and could ensure its own security.

BRITAIN AGAINST

The Programme Committee rejected the original proposal with the Israeli amendment by 24 to 4 votes with 13 abstentions.

The Israeli delegate then proposed that a new text proposing a Middle East regional Unesco conference should be drafted. But an Arab country delegate proposed that instead the committee should vote on the original proposal without the Israeli amendment.

Voting took place and the motion was carried by a small majority in spite of opposition of the American and British delegations.

This means that the Arab country proposed by Unesco to convene the conference will be able to withhold visas for Israeli delegates who might wish to attend. It was believed that the Israeli delegation to Unesco will protest against today's decision when the full General Conference is resumed next week. —Reuter.

Second Appeal By Atom Spies Turned Down

New York, Dec. 1. A second application to stay the execution of the convicted atom spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg was denied today by Judge Sylvester, Ryan in the Federal Court.

The Rosenbergs are due to be executed on January 12. The Court also postponed until tomorrow arguments on a defence motion to set aside the death sentence imposed on the pair for turning over atom secrets to the Soviet Union.

A similar motion to set aside a 30-year gaol sentence for their co-conspirator, Morton Sobell, will also be argued tomorrow. Sobell has begun serving his sentence. The first application to stay the Rosenbergs' execution was made last week. —United Press.

GUIDED MISSILES FOR RAF

Manchester, Dec. 1.

Guided and unguided missiles being developed for fighter aircraft will show a sharp increase in efficiency as weapons for Britain's defence, Lord De L'Isle and Dudley, V.C., Air Minister said.

"I must not lift the veil far," he added.

The RAF would be equipped almost entirely with British designed and made aeroplanes.

"We are pushing ahead the production of the Vulture," he said. "We believe it will prove the finest long-range high-flying bomber in the world. Coming along is the Delta-wing Vulcan bomber."

Sir Roy Dobson, managing director of A.V. Roe's, manufacturers of the Vulture, said the plane could fly fully loaded to New York, load up, return to Britain, then fly back again to New York—all in the same day. —London Express Service.

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REHEARSAL ON ICE

But it will be all right on the actual day—there'll be no ice on the roads, so you won't have the Guards slipping base over bayonet every time someone calls 'Alt! a bit sharp-like'.

London Express Service

WRITING WITH THE AUTHORITY of his experience as former Under-Secretary for War, a Socialist M.P. today makes an accusation which is likely to cause the keenest argument. Woodrow Wyatt, M.P., was himself a soldier; he landed in France within a week of D Day. Here he contends that now in peacetime the Brigade of Guards is "the last entrenched stronghold of privilege and snobbery in the British Army." Is this true?

Is it time to put NEW FACES under THE BOWLERS?

by WOODROW WYATT, M.P.

THE announcement that battalions of the Guards now abroad are being brought home in time for the Coronation indicates that once again the Guards are receiving privileges not open to other soldiers.

No other regiments will be brought home for the Coronation before their tour of overseas duty is over. Privilege and the Guards—the words are almost synonymous. Not that there can be any objection to the enlivening to her Majesty's Coronation procession by the presence of her gay and colourful Guards. As her personal troops that is one of their main functions. The question is: Who gets the privileges and why?

A Guardsman in the ranks must be five foot ten inches high and of good physique. He must be prepared to accept the most rigorous drilling and discipline in any of the three services. At the end of his training, he will be the bravest and most resolute soldier in the world.

When officers pass out from Sandhurst, they are allowed to state a preference for the regiment they would like to join. Whether they get their choice depends on how well they have done at their military studies.

The qualifications for the Guards' closed shop are a family association with a Guards regiment, and enough private means to be able to keep up socially with well-to-do brother officers.

Fathers, grandfathers, great-grandfathers, and uncles are powerful and indispensable assets. Too few inquiries are made as to brains or technical skill provided that he has passed through Sandhurst, however sketchily.

Money also is needed, because although the De-brett side may be all right, a higher standard of living is maintained by Guards officers than by those of other regiments.

For peacetime ceremonial the Guards make a perfect spectacle. Once, because they are the Royal bodyguard, they were never allowed out of Britain in between wars. Now they have to soldier overseas in Malaya, or other trouble spots, like other regiments.

They have adapted themselves to modern conditions in all respects but one—the recruitment of their officers in peacetime. The officer corps of the Guards is the last entrenched stronghold of privilege to be subsidised by the State. Snobbery, not efficiency, determines the selection.

The Army Council has laid down that the daily charge for food, extra to the free Army rations, in an officer's mess shall not be more than 2s. 6d. a day.

EXPENSIVE

THE charge in Guards officers' messes, where such instructions are regarded as a joke is way above that.

If a Guards officer cannot follow the same expensive off-duty pursuits as his brother officers, he will soon be made to feel out of it.

In war naturally the field of selection is broadened a

little, and some who would not normally be commissioned find their way in.

But up to the time when I left the War Office on one had received a regular commission in the Guards since the end of the war who was not at a public school or educated privately at his parents' expense.

The majority of officers serving in the Guards were at Eton or Harrow.

Thousands of commissions have gone to non-public school boys in other regiments, but the Guards still keep their system of nepotism selection intact.

NOT ENOUGH

DOES it matter? Yes, because bravery—and no one says these Guards officers lack courage—is not enough. The time has gone when success in battle went to the regiments who could stand up under fire the longest.

If we are to have a corps d'élite—and even the Americans have their Marines—it is entitled to officers selected on a basis of competence, not privilege. Some Guards officers are good—but the level of intelligence and efficiency is below that of other regiments.

I can remember a late-into-the-night conference at a Corps Headquarters in Normandy. Werry staff officers were planning complicated moves of units for the next day in preparation for an attack.

At last, by 3.30 a.m., the plans were completed. Then up spoke the senior staff officer from the Guards division involved.

"I'm terribly sorry, sir," he said, "I've been working on a basis of the positions we were in the day before yesterday, and not the ones we're in now."

And all was to do again.

us information of enemy movements in front of us. Its officers were so inefficient, and its information so misleading, that the use of it had to be stopped.

Yes, I contend the men are fine; the sergeant-majors and other non-commissioned officers are superb; alas, the officers are, too often, not above average.

"In our armed forces the democratic principle is stronger than in any other country. There are no military cliques." So spoke General Bradley, Chief of Staff of the U.S. A. recently.

That ought to be true of the British Army. Democratic reforms have widened opportunity enormously since the war.

The result is that the British Army is the best trained in the world today.

But is it fully effective in meeting demands that no avenue of advancement should be refused to the enterprising?

The only quarter which holds out are the officers of the Guards. With their backs to the wall they fight grimly on for the right to hereditary privilege.

The day SPIVVY broke out

It started with the blackout and flourished among shortages

By TREVOR EVANS

NOW it is official. The day the spiv was born was the day the first of the wartime shortages began to press on Britain.

Shortages began regulations, and regulations began the dodgers, the wide boys. It started in the blackout with torches and No. 8 batteries. The profiteers and speculators muscled in early on those. Then came the quotas and the licences.

By the end of 1940 goods worth millions of pounds had illegally reached the home market. Bogus quotas, holders had made many thousands of pounds in commission. A regular trade had grown up in introducing buyers and sellers of bogus quotas.

Clothes rationing came on Whit-Sunday afternoon, June 1, 1941. And with it a new plague of racketeers. They had to be fought. A coupon banking scheme was introduced. The smart boys would tear up newspapers, slip them in envelopes to the banks hoping that there would be no check, and that new quotas would be issued against them.

Where do these facts come from? Why, from a 250,000-word term, cumbersome, titled and priced. The title is "History of the Second World War: Civil Industry and Trade" (published by the Stationery Office and Longmans). The price is 37s. 6d.

Two people have written it—E. L. Hargreaves, an Oxford don, and Mrs. M. M. Gowing, a London economist.

Their book is mainly devoted to the work of the Board of Trade in the war. This is the belated medal for Millbank, where the Board of Trade's headquarters were. So all the spivvy and all the maldistribution are cited not as evidence of the things that went wrong, but as examples of the problems which the Board of Trade had to put right.

And let's be fair, it put most of them right, mainly because of the general public's determination that there should be fair shares.

The biggest jolt of all, however, came to Millbank after Mr Churchill formed his wartime Government in May, 1940.

This volume proves that up to then it really had been a "phony war" for most Government departments. Right up to April 1940—only a month before Mr Churchill took over—the Government was actually

relying on the residue of the prewar unemployed to man up our war factories.

One of the sharpest reminders that there was a war on came from Lord Beaverbrook. This, through slightly tinted Brand of Trade spectacles, is what the book says of him.

"The main reason for the increased demand for factory premises was an attack on the front of attack. The greatest demands came from the Ministry of Aircraft Production, for it was supremely important for the survival of Britain that aircraft production should not be crippled by bombing."

"The answer of Lord Beaverbrook and his Ministry to bombing was dispersal. Sometimes dispersal meant the removal of a vital production unit from one area to another. Sometimes it meant that a large production unit had to be split up into several smaller units."

"The Ministry of Aircraft Production pursued its dispersal policy with energy and on a very large scale." As early as October, 1940, when Lord Beaverbrook had been in office less than six months, 384 new premises had been acquired for aircraft and engine production alone; in addition, instrument production and radio manufacture had been partly dispersed.

Lord Beaverbrook reminded the War Cabinet at the end of November of his dispersal policy. He asked for a ruling that "any premises anywhere that were not in actual occupation should be at the disposal of the Ministry of Aircraft Production." The War Cabinet agreed; provided another department which had earmarked premises could have them back if necessary.

There was criticism of Lord Beaverbrook's policy. Other Ministers said it would make orderly allocation of premises unworkable.

It took Lord Beaverbrook six weeks of negotiations with Sir John Anderson, Lord President of the Council, and the personal intervention of Mr Churchill before a control scheme was established.

It gave "extreme priority" to the Ministry of Aircraft Production. "Any factory was bombed out of action," Mr Churchill was to be "informed of any case in which there was more than 48 hours' delay in finding new premises."

4d CORONATION SEATS —BUT NOT NEXT YEAR

By J. W. Taylor

THE million or more spectators along the Coronation route next June will find seats both scarce and expensive, ranging from the Ministry of Works' 100,000 uncovered "cheap" ones at £3. 10s to £5. 10s to "spiv" agency accommodation in windows en route, "with refreshments guaranteed" from £100 per person to higher sums for wealthy foreigners.

As the great day draws near the demand for seats will be such that even some who long ago booked expensive points of vantage will be unable to resist the fantastic offers of late comers, and are expected to resell at prices amounting to as much as £200 a chair.

Seat letting really became an organized business for the first time on a big scale at the Edwardian Coronation. Notable for cashing in on the boom which he described "as the greatest on record" was Dr Henry S. Lunn, the impresario, who bought up what is still the finest site on the Coronation route—at the great entrance to the Abbey.

The Doctor built a three-tier stand in front of the office

buildings, the third tier being let with the rooms behind for 900 guineas, "including breakfast and luncheon." Seats on the first and second tiers went for 20 to 25 guineas. He also let a room in Fiddilly with two 9 ft. double windows and three small 2 ft. windows for 250 guineas.

The Doctor and others engaged in the business of letting seats obtained their highest prices on the route of the "short" Coronation procession, which traversed Fiddilly, St James Street and Whitehall. Prices were lower on the second Coronation route which covered less crowded areas through the City and Southwark. Nevertheless, seats were sold at lucrative prices by Dr Lunn and similar agencies.

Dr Lunn's grand scale effort was at the Borough Polytechnic, where he built a stand for 2,000 people, charging 3s. 6d. for breakfast and 4s. 6d. for lunch, three guineas. Other seats were ten guineas, but the 47 rooms the stand backed on were hired out at prices varying from 75 to 200 guineas each.

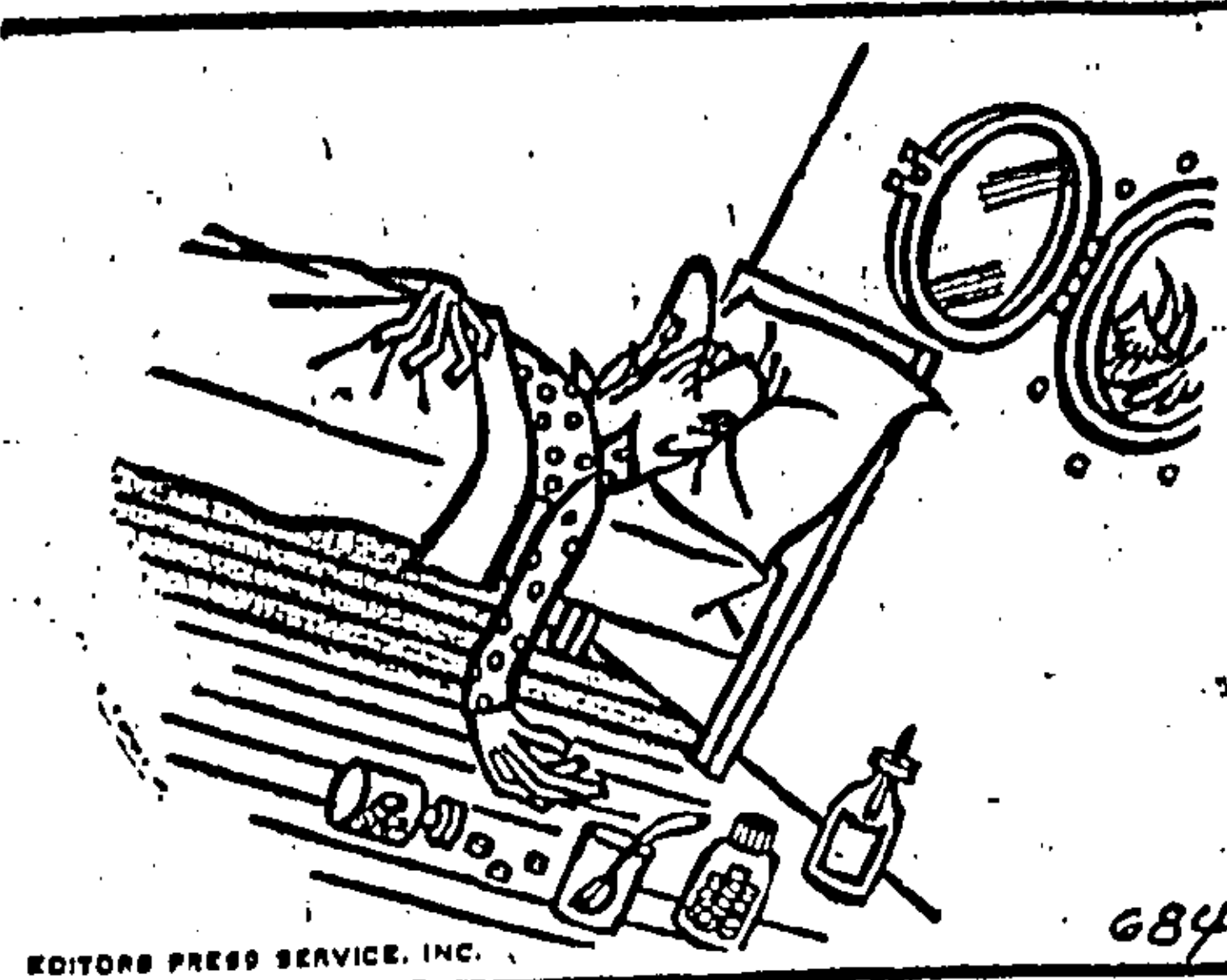
In fairness to the Doctor, it must be pointed out that most of the proceeds went to the quite satisfactory commission, Victoria.

He spoke also of doing fairly well at Southwark, where, he said, "I have let a window in Savoy Road to a lady of title at 70 guineas."

Similar prices obtained at the Coronation procession of King George V in 1911, by which time the Government had entered into the business. They built stands with seats at prices to cover the cost of erection and show a small profit. Prices ranged from 8s. to 10s. a seat. At the last Coronation seats were let at from five to 25 guineas.

Spectators of the Edward II Coronation procession in 1307 paid a farthing a seat. The price was a halfpenny twenty years later at the Coronation of his son, Edward III. This was doubled for the Coronation of Richard II in 1377, and in 1509 spectators paid a groat (4d.) for a seated view of Henry VIII's Coronation procession.

Seats for the Coronation of the First Elizabeth in 1559 cost sixpence each, and the price had risen to half-a-crown for the 1800 Coronation of Charles II. Prices soared somewhat by the time George III's crowning was reached in 1760, when spectators paid a guinea for a seat. This price was doubled for the enthronement of Queen Victoria.



Famous Last Words: "If I was in a hurry I'd fly over—but on an ocean liner they've got movies, swimming pools, dances, the best cuisine..."

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

A STERN complaint about underclothes ornamented with Union Jacks revealed the curious fact that the garments were very large, and were intended to be worn outside the ordinary clothes.

A man who wears a huge vest with a Union Jack on it outside his overcoat may be a victim of an advanced type, or he may be only a man who lacks taste in dress. The excuse that the "new" pattern of being tattooed may or may not be true. Nowadays there is a man in the Waterloo Road who can do Holborn Viaduct on your chest in five minutes. But love of country can be shown discreetly enough by a figure of Britannia, in eight colours, on the handband.

Precautionary measures

In the matter of being tattooed, I cherish the saying of a woman who got that art mixed up with vaccination. She said: "My husband won't ever get measles. It's tattooed all over his chest with the flags of all the nations."

Wisdom of the ages

The effluvia nerves are subject to habit. The man who can detect

a camel blindfolded is not always the best judge of the bouquet of a wine.

(Kolorosh, the Bessarabian philosopher.)

Fly-shooting season opens

MR CHAPMAN PINCHER'S account of the little gun which will shoot a fly between the eyes made me bellow: "Jackson, lay out my tweed, my gaiters and my deer-stalker hat." Such a weapon should introduce a touch of sportmanship into the killing of flies. This has long been neglected branch of small-game hunting, as popularized by the great Keating. Every room where flies are to be found should have a small hut, and while the ladies picnic in a corner and the champagne cork is flying, the gentlemen will be letting the little beggar have both barrels—holding their fire until they see the whites of their eyes.

Marginal note

I FORESEE the day when there will be no room in Westminster Abbey for anything but television cameras.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

BORN today, your ambitions are high and you are eager to reach the top. You have the gift of co-operation and know how to work harmoniously with others. This talent, alone, should place you in the higher echelons of life. The gift which is most important when it comes to executing large-scale projects. You are good at carrying out the plans of others, but you are not one to follow the blueprint exactly. You, too, will have constructive ideas to contribute.

Although you are kindly, co-operative and sympathetic with others, you are not one to compromise with your own ideals. So far—and only so far—will you go. This may come as a surprise to some. But these people know you and rarely impose upon your good nature.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

A GOOD day for business either at home or at the office. Clear up any postponed work.

CAPRICIOUS (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Be systematic in everything you undertake. Any research or laboratory experimentation should be successful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Financial matters may need careful adjustment just now. Keep everything over with these most concerned.

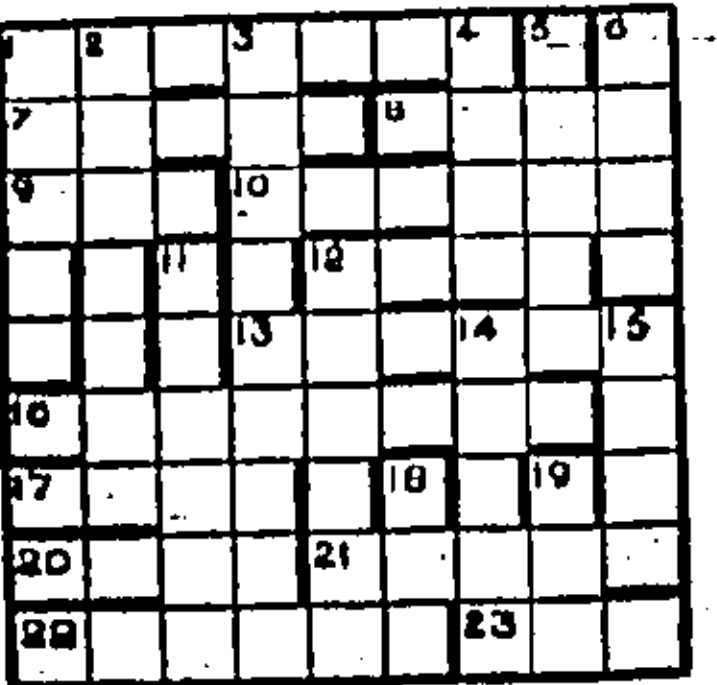
PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If letters should be written to relatives, don't postpone them any longer.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Make a very real effort to get along amicably with all workers and associates. Be the peacemaker.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—Aspects are highly favourable for all you undertake just now. Take full advantage of this good day.

CRAB (May 22-June 21)—You may have some difficulty in securing the co-operation you want on a project. Be patient about it.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Deter. (7)
2. Solid drink in liquid. (5)
3. Used a challenge. (4)
4. Once he scolded troubled waters. (3)
5. What a sticker! (6)
6. The pleasure of music? (4)
7. See 21.
8. Not all made in pubs or law courts. (6)
9. Rejoice servant. (4)
10. Our become acid tasting. (4)
11. Light is the French. (5)
12. Language described. (6)
13. Upset at the end of. (8)

Down

1. Confirmation. (8)
2. Hard luck is had to make progress. (7)
3. Gave title to his up. (6)
4. Feet like ribbon. (4)
5. Progressive colour. (5)
6. Gals of war. (4)
7. Is child is for performers not audience. (6)
8. May give him your pledge. (5)
9. Colours, for a penny. (4)
10. Once routine work. (5)
11. Deep waters. (3)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle:
Across: 1. Deter, 2. Solid, 3. Used, 4. Once, 5. What, 6. The, 7. See, 8. Not, 9. Rejoice, 10. Our, 11. Light, 12. Language, 13. Upset.
Down: 1. Confirmation, 2. Hard, 3. Gave, 4. Feet, 5. Progressive, 6. Gals, 7. Is, 8. May, 9. Colours, 10. Once, 11. Deep.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

Threea Side

By T. O. HARE

THE young Weasels and Polecats—there are eight of them together—have devised a game called "Baby Football" in which there are three players a side. An exciting game it is, too. It is played on a table. And at any rate, it keeps the boys out of mischief. Want to know how to play? Well, here is the best hint: selection of three players shall play one match against every selection of three players drawn from the remaining undertakers. Isn't it?

(Solution on Page 10)

DUMB-BELLS

MRS. SMITH DIED OF GASTRITIS! TOO BAD I'VE ALWAYS SAID ELECTRICITY IS SAFER.



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Hold-Up Play Is
Very Dangerous

NORTH		10
♠ A Q J 4		
♥ Q J 8		
♦ A 9		
♣ 10 8 7 4		
WEST		EAST
♠ 8 3 2		♥ K 10 7 5
♥ 9 7 2		♦ 10 8 5 4
♦ K J 8 7 5		♣ Q 10
♣ K 9		♠ 5 3 2
SOUTH (D)		
♠ 9 8		
♥ A K 3		
♦ 9 4 3 2		
♣ A Q J 9		
North-South vul.		
South	West	North
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠
1 N.T.	Pass	3 N.T.
Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦ 7		

By OSWALD JACOBY

WE hear so much about the hold-up play, but sometimes we overlook the fact that a hold-up can be a fatal mistake. It is almost as important to know when not to hold-up as it is to know when to execute this very important play.

When West opened the seven of diamonds in the hand shown today, South made the mistake of holding up dummy's ace. East won with the queen of diamonds and returned the suit. This has long been neglected branch of small-game hunting, as popularized by the great Keating. Every room where flies are to be found should have a small hut, and while the ladies picnic in a corner and the champagne cork is flying, the gentlemen will be letting the little beggar have both barrels—holding their fire until they see the whites of their eyes.

South needed at least two clubs to make his contract, so he immediately tried the club finesse. This had the great merit of getting the agony over quickly. West took the king of clubs and the rest of his diamonds to defeat the contract.

South should have won the first trick with dummy's ace of diamonds, since this was one of the standard positions in which an expert does not hold up. Whether East dropped the queen or the ten of diamonds, the suit would be blocked. Declarer would immediately try the club finesse, and West would win with the king.

If West then cashed the king of diamonds, South's nine would become established for a second stopper. If West led a low diamond after taking the king of clubs, East would win, but would be unable to continue the suit.

West's opening lead of a low diamond indicates that he doesn't hold a suit headed by three honours. (An honour is almost invariably opened from a suit headed by three honours.) Licence West is known to have two or more honours in diamonds. If East has more than two diamonds, the hold-up cannot succeed. If East has only two diamonds, as was actually the case, a hold-up is fatal.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
South West North East
1 Heart Pass 2 Diamonds Pass
2 Hearts Pass 3 Spades Pass

You, South, hold: Spades 9-2, Hearts A-K-10-7-5, Diamonds Q-6-3, Clubs A-Q-4. What do you do?

A—Bid three no-trump. This shows ability to take care of the unbid suit (clubs) and indicates that the hand is substantially stronger than a minimum opening bid. However, the South strength is still clearly limited by the fact that he holds only two hearts at his previous turn.

TODAY'S QUESTION

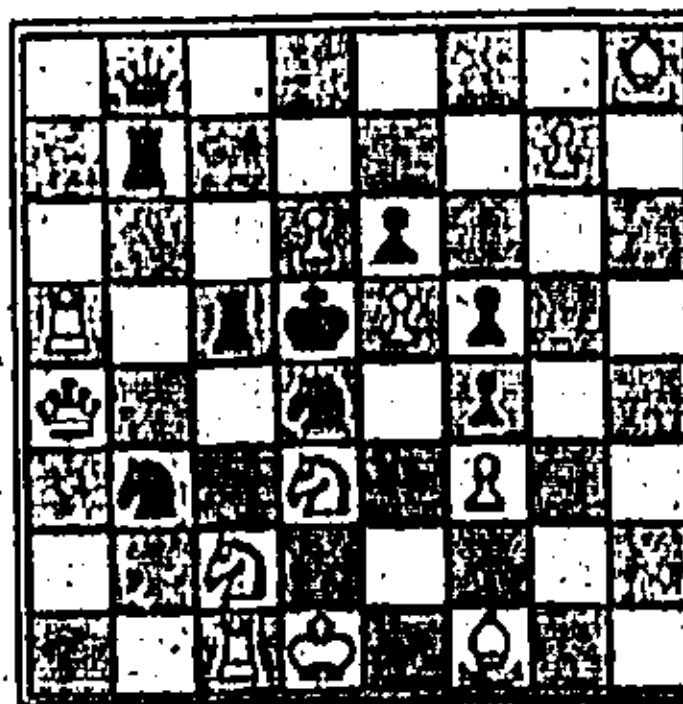
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-2, Hearts A-K-Q-7-5-2, Diamonds 8-5, Clubs Q-9-6. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CHESS PROBLEM

By J. KISS

Black, 9 pieces.



White, 12 pieces.
White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. B-K7; any; 2. Q, R, or B mates.

★ ★ WOMANSENSE ★ ★

Anne Edwards on THE PLAIN TO PEARL TRANSFORMATION OF MARY MARTIN

As designed by Hollywood

And as— designed by her husband



THE voice on the phone was describing Mary Martin's dress for her farewell London appearance. "Black lace," said the voice, "with diamond and moonstone earrings designed by her husband, Richard Halliday."

"Does he design earrings too?" I asked. "Only for her," came the reply. "She's his business."

SHE'S HIS BUSINESS. So does that explain why the woman, who 12 years ago flopped in Hollywood, last month finished a triumphant three and a half years as the lead in "South Pacific?" Does that explain why the girl of 20, who was too plain for films, became, at 38, the Broadway and London star who is rated one of the world's ten best dressed?

"When I met Richard," says Mary, "I looked so terrible I sometimes wonder why he married me."

It was his idea to remove the curls that Hollywood loaded on to Mary; his idea to give her a neat Edwardian head; his idea to have her dressed by the famous Mainbocher. "I haven't been inside a dress shop for ten years," says Mary happily. "Richard chooses all my clothes—the colours, the designs, the jewels, the hats."

Explanation?

SHE'S HIS BUSINESS. So does that explain why he gets the Press for her, makes her appointments for her, answers the phone for her, receives her visitors for her, gets the best

As designed by Hollywood

THEY LOADED HER WITH
"STARLET" CURLS—AND
SUCCESS MISSED HER...

And as—

designed by her husband



FINISHED PRODUCT—STAGE-MANGED TO STARDOM BY DESIGNER-HUSBAND

The cake was iced white, plain sponge with a chocolate filling, and 12 inches across. Two big dogs, one brown and one white, for decoration. Two red candles with sugar ribbons round them saying: "Happy Birthday."

In addition: little sponge-cakes with coloured icing. Maroons glazes with icing. Sclairs. Tiny biscuit cakes. Bridge rolls with savoury fillings. Cheese straws.

"Modern children," comments Mrs. Floris, who supplied the party with its tea, "much prefer cheese to jam, and would much rather drink tea than milk."

Top secret

FOOTNOTE to the Harewood tea-party. What was the colour of Prince Charles's party-going coat? Since ten photographers and a crowd of 200 saw him, it shouldn't be hard to find out....

So I rang all the photographic agencies; but Keystone said their photographer had gone to Liverpool, and International News said theirs had gone home, and Associated Press said theirs couldn't remember.

So I rang the Harewood home where they said it was Lady Harewood's private affair; and I rang Buckingham Palace, where they said it was the Queen's private affair; and I rang Mrs. Michael Parker (wife of the Duke of Edinburgh's private secretary), who said: "I didn't go to the party."

Then I went to see the principals of the expensive children's shops, but Miss Whitteide said her shop hadn't made it, and Mr. du Deller said he knew nothing about it, and Mrs. Gels said she made one, and Mrs. Clark admitted: "Yes, she had made it, but she couldn't possibly give away the colour."

So sorry, readers. The colour of Prince Charles's coat is a Top Secret.

LOYALTY

★ HOW LOYAL can a little wife get? Authoress Rose Franken (Mrs W. B. Meloney), on her husband: "Sometimes I hate the fact that he writes so much better than I do."

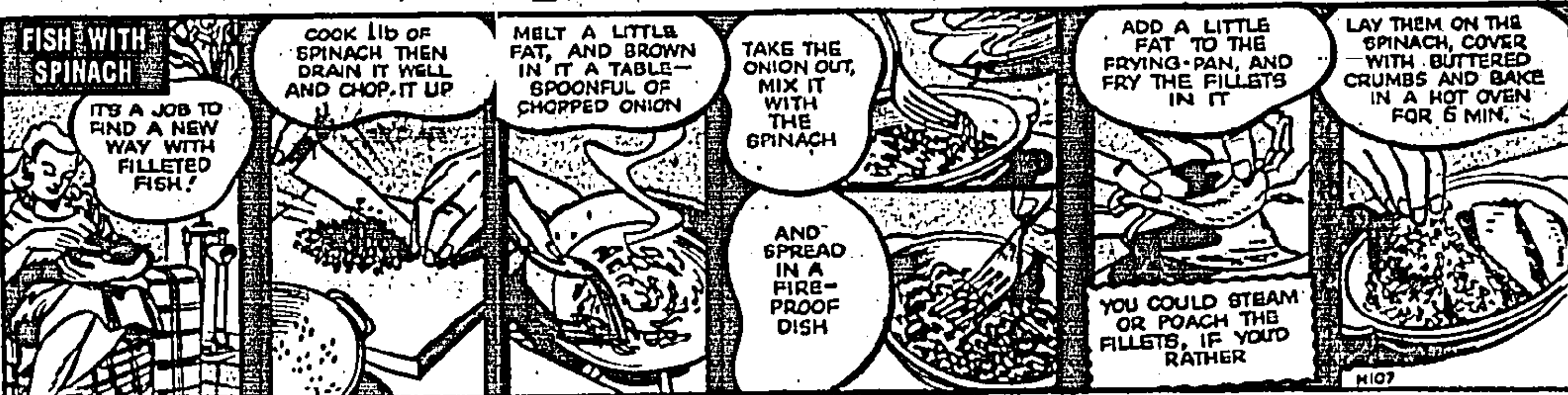
Mrs. Elsenhower (on her husband's paintings): "Mr. Char-chill is good, but he has had instruction. He hasn't and he's wonderful."

(London-Express Service.)

Household Hints

Don't discard the white sheets of cellulose padding which you find inside many fancy cosmetics boxes. After the cushiony material is no longer needed to protect the contents of the original package, you can make good use of it as a decorative interior wrapping material for gift packages.

Fingerprints, grease and dirt can be removed from photographic records by gently wiping the surfaces with a piece of absorbent cotton, moistened in a weak solution of soap and water. Repeat, using plain water.



BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Captain Ahoy Spins A Yarn

—It's About the Ship Bluebird and Her Crew—

By MAX TRELL

"MY goodness," said Hanid, the shadow-girl with the turned-about name, to her brother Knarf, "it's been such a long time since we visited Captain Ahoy!"

Knarf looked puzzled. "Captain Ahoy? Who's he?"

"Why, don't you remember, Knarf? He's the old sea captain who lives in the little white house on the cliff that looks over the ocean?"

Suddenly Knarf remembered. "He's the one with the telescope—and the compass—and the little model sailing-ship on the shelf over his fireplace!"

Hanid nodded. "Let's go and see him!" Knarf exclaimed. "Maybe he'll let us look through the telescope, again!"

Noat and Tidy House

So Knarf and Hanid set out, and walked until they reached the place over the cliff where Captain Ahoy's white-painted, neat and tidy house stood, with the great blue-green ocean spreading out below it.

"Hi there, mates!" greeted Captain Ahoy, standing in the open doorway.

He was a short man with a brown, wrinkled face. He had merry blue eyes, white hair and a white beard all around his chin. As usual, he wore a blue cap, a blue coat with gold buttons, and white pants. "Come in!" he said heartily.

Yes, there was the model sailing-ship standing in its old place on the shelf over the fireplace. It wasn't very large. But all the sails were set and puffed out as though the wind were blowing against them. And there was an American flag, no bigger than a postage stamp, flying from the mast.

Just along the front side of the tiny sailing-ship, the word Bluebird was painted.

A Big Ship

"That's her name," Captain Ahoy said. "Of course, she's not the real Bluebird. The real Bluebird was a big ship—big enough to sail the Seven Seas. She was the ship I used to be captain of many a long year ago. She's gone now, down at the bottom of the ocean with the fishes swimming in and out among her masts. But," he said, pointing to the little model on the fireplace shelf, "that's exactly how she used to look!"

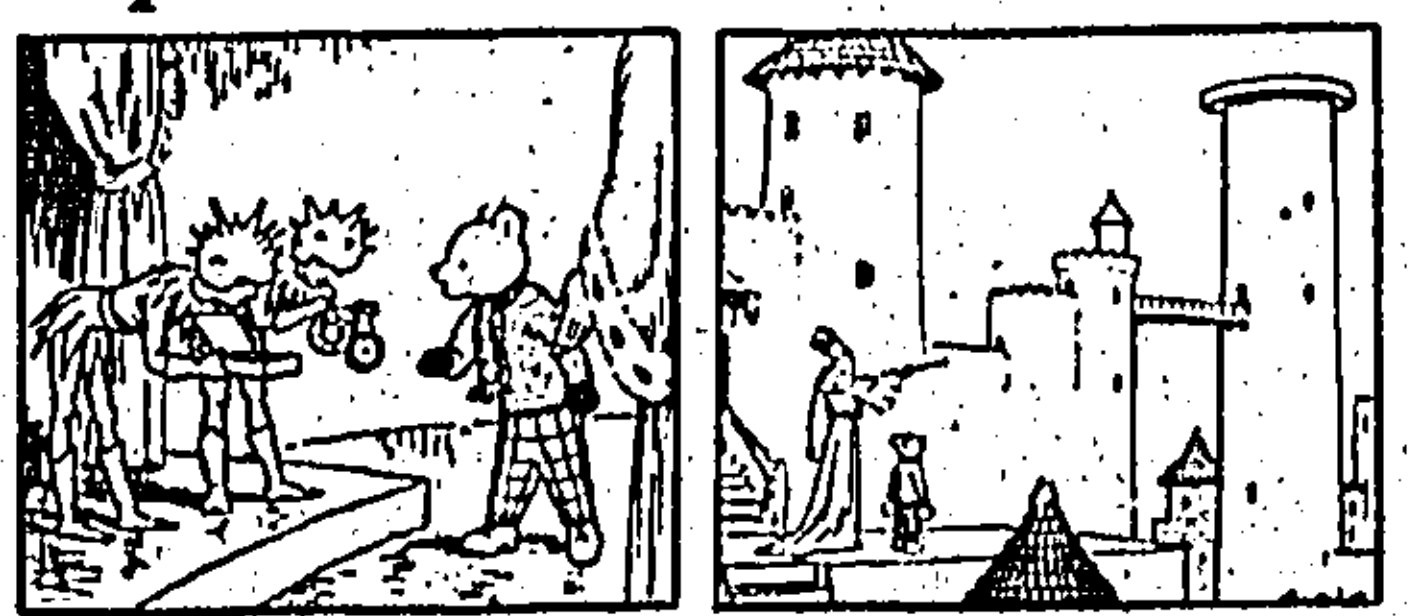
"There was no doubting it. The sails were flapping all right. The next second I heard the little squeaky voice saying: 'Avast! there, me hearties! Hit the deck! Step lively, there!'"

"And would you believe it," cried Captain Ahoy as he looked at Knarf and Hanid, "the little ship went sailing off the shelf, and sailed into the room and would have gone sailing out of the window—only—"

"Only what?" asked Knarf and Hanid, panting with excitement.

"Only, at that minute the moon went behind a cloud, and everything got dark, and I guess my pipe went out, and I fell asleep. And when I opened my eyes again, the ship was shining and the real Bluebird was standing right where it always was. And though I looked and looked and looked, I couldn't find the least sign of the mouse-captain and his crew!"

Rupert and the Windwhistle—31



In a very short time two of the guards return. "We thought the little bear might like a waiter for himself," says one of them. The other offers a big supply of pills in a box. "That's a fine lot," says Rupert. "The effect the ice pill I took is wearing off—and all rights reserved."

Don't forget your
Rupert Annual

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

SIXTH RACE MEETING 1952/53

Saturday, 6th and Saturday, 13th December, 1952

(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

On the 1st Day the First Bell will be rung at 1 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m.

On the 2nd Day the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2 p.m.

There are 9 races on the 1st Day and 8 races on the 2nd Day (17 in all).

Through Tickets (17 Races—\$34.00) also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup Sweep" scheduled to be run on 24th January, 1953, may be obtained at the Cash Sweep Office of the Club at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road.

Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10 a.m. on Friday, 5th December, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at—

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or
382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TOTALISATOR

The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules—

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies as declared by the Stewards when the "All Clear" is given. The "ALL CLEAR" signal will be indicated by a white light at the Totalisator Tower. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

Totalisator Tickets should be examined and checked before leaving the Selling Counters as mistakes of any description cannot be rectified later.

Cash received in respect of Dividends should be checked before leaving the Pay-Out Counters as no claim for short payment of the value of tickets presented can be entertained once Investors have left the Counters.

All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and the Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Alexandra House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 10.30 a.m. on the 1st Day and at 11 a.m. the 2nd Day. The Secretary's Office will close at 11.15 a.m. the 1st Day and at 11.45 a.m. the 2nd Day. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office is situated at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road, and the Secretary's Office at Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including Ladies and will be payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Public Enclosure during a Meeting will forfeit his or her right of admission to the Enclosure and will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

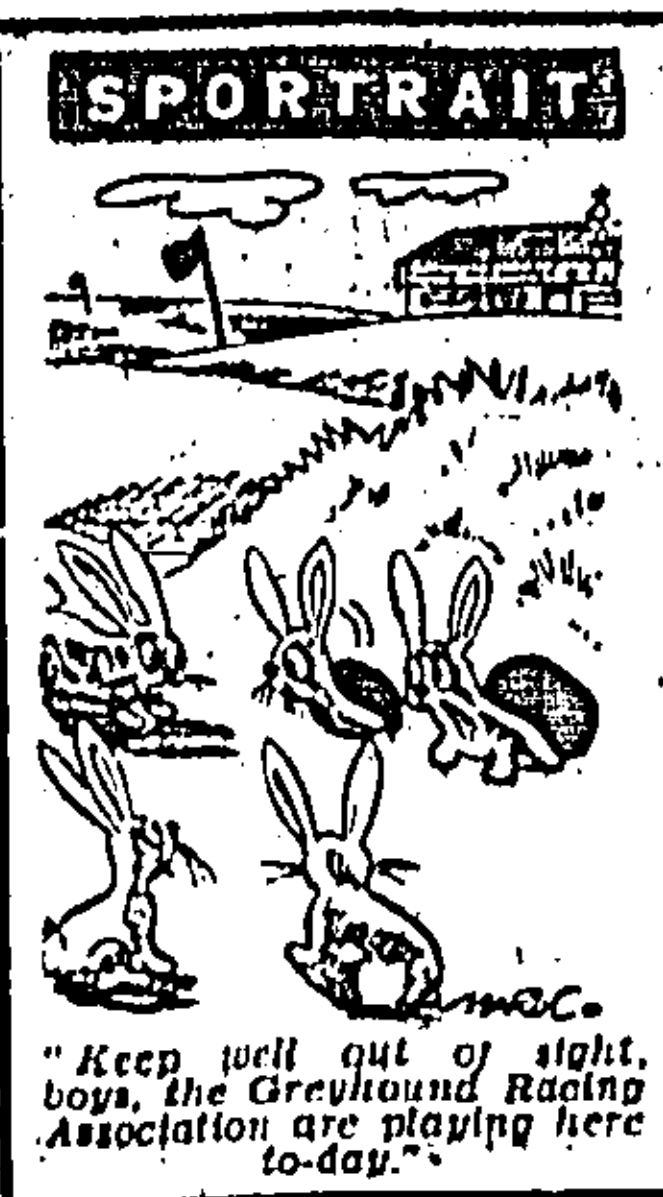
BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC. WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Member's Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order,
H. MISA,
Secretary.JAKE TULL
WINS ON
A TKO

Nottingham, Dec. 1.

Jake Tull, the South African Zulu flyweight, tonight won a technical knockout over Belgian Champion Emile Delplanque.

Tull, who holds the British Empire flyweight title, had it much his own way in the opening rounds.

The official announcement said the referee, Austin O'Connor, had dropped the contest in favour of Tull between the fourth and fifth rounds.

COLLAPSED

Delplanque suddenly collapsed towards the end of the fourth round. He writhed on the canvas, holding his stomach and insisting that he had been hit a low one.

When the bell went for the end of the round, he was dragged to his corner and slumped from his stool to the floor several times while his handlers worked over him.

The referee signalled Tull back to his corner at the start of the fifth round and went to the Belgian's corner to check on things. O'Connor took one quick look, walked over to Tull and raised his hand as the winner.

Loud booing broke out. Tull, who seemed surprised at the sudden turn of events, was booed heavily when he left the ring.—Associated Press.

Hazare To Lead
Indians On Tour
Of West Indies

Bombay, Dec. 1.

Vijay Hazare, Captain of the Indian cricket team which toured England last summer, has been appointed captain of the Indian cricket team scheduled to tour the West Indies early next year, according to a report here today.

An official announcement is expected from the Cricket Board President from Calcutta later, France-Press.

Amateur Billiards
Championship

Calcutta, Dec. 1.

Walter Ramage, the Scottish champion, gained his second victory in the world amateur billiards championship to-day when he beat Amten Yunoos (Burma) by 1,599 points to 834.

Present leader is the English champion, Leslie Driffield, who is unbeaten in three matches. Each competitor plays five games.—Reuter.

Eddie Hapgood—One Of
Britain's Best
Ambassadors Of Sport

The greatest football grounds in the world have been the scene of the triumphs of Edris Albert Hapgood, former captain of Arsenal and England. He has been cheered off the field in nearly all the capitals of Europe. And in Britain he has received his ovations at Wembley, Hampden Park and Highbury.

So widely travelled is he that he has been described as one of Britain's best ambassadors of sport.

On November 22 came another success which Eddie will rank among his greatest. But there was nothing grandiose about the setting.

It was at the little football ground in Bath, home of non-League club Bath City. Eddie is now manager of the club, and the occasion was their 3-1 victory over Third Division side Southern in the first round of the FA Cup.

Southern are well up in the League table, but reputation meant little to Hapgood's merry band. Although a goal in arrears early in the first half, they equalised before the interval and added two more in the second half.

Managing "giant-killer" sides is no new experience to Eddie. Two years ago he did the same thing. Then he was in charge of Third Division club Watford. In the third round of the Cup they were drawn at home against Preston North End, the mighty First Division side. True, they had ground advantage, but even so few people gave much for their chances.

But Watford confounded the critics and held Preston to a draw. This meant a replay at Preston, and for this game, even the most ardent Watford supporters were resigned to defeat. But showing tremendous fighting spirit, instilled by manager Hapgood, they gained a great victory.

In his first full season at Bath, the players are showing the same spirit, and the question is raised: "How does he do it? By words? No. By deeds? Yes."

A MAN OF ACTION

For Eddie has always been a man of action. When, as a lad of 19, he came to Highbury in 1927, he was a slightly-built youth, shy, but fully confident in himself.

As the years passed, his frame filled out, his confidence grew, but Eddie remained a man of few words.

He was another star discovered by that soccer genius, Herbert Chapman, but his rise was the most meteoric of all. Within three months of joining Arsenal from non-League club Kettering Town, Eddie was playing First Division soccer.

From the very first, he showed a keen appreciation of the game's finer points. Although a strong tucker and fine kicker, his play was never wild. He showed that a full back can be as much an artist as a half back or forward.

This keen brain may have been sharpened by lack of brains. For in his early Highbury days, Eddie was the lightest back in League soccer. He weighed less than nine stone.

He was so frail that he was sometimes stunned when heading a heavy ball. At that time he was a vegetarian; on the advice, though, of trainer Tom Whittaker (now Arsenal manager) he took up eating meat. This built him up, but at the height of his career he did not tip the scales at much more than 11 stone.

EVERY MAJOR HONOUR

Since those days he has won every major honour on the field. He has led great teams to even greater victories, and his deeds will be long remembered.

He was captain of the Arsenal throughout their halcyon period of the thirties. Then, in the space of nine seasons, they won the League five times, were only once out of the top six, and twice won the FA Cup.

He played for England 43 times, 24 of them as captain. In recognition of his football services to his country, in 1943 the FA awarded Eddie a testimonial worth £100.

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EDDIE HAPGOOD

SIR PHOENIX BRINGS
A NEW DEAL
FOR RACEHORSES

By JOHN WATERMAN

This is the story of two remarkable racehorses: Sir Phoenix and Happy Father. But they are not outstanding as horses. In fact, they both have had badly damaged legs. And in that lies their claim to fame.

When a horse severely injures a leg, the almost invariable custom is to have him destroyed. These two animals, with the aid of skilful veterinary attention, have defied that custom.

Their legs have been mended. And not only are they fit again, but on his borrowed time Sir Phoenix is going to stud, and Happy Father, is jumping fences this season.

RACING IS OVER

These are extraordinary achievements. It is generally accepted that if a horse badly damages a leg its racing career is over.

Thoroughbreds can be insured against such accidents, and against subsequent destruction. But although considerable business is done, by no means all racehorses are insured. The reason: premiums are high. For a season it costs about £5 per cent of a flat racehorse's value to insure in this way. For a horse worth £10,000 that means a premium of £500.

So that a horse would have to win at least one reasonable class race to pay his insurance premium; and many racehorses in training go through a season without winning a race. For National Hunt jumpers premiums are even higher, as risks are greater. It costs about £9 per cent of his value to insure a steeplechaser against accident.

Trainer of Sir Phoenix is bulky, sixtyish Peter Thrale. A marigold was stuck jauntily in his buttonhole as he sat in the office of his Epsom stable and told Sir Phoenix's race-history.

WON THREE RACES

Sir Phoenix is a three-year-old chestnut colt, a flat racer. He was bought as a yearling for 1,400 guineas. Last year he won three races and was thought quite a good two-year-old. In the annual Free Handicap for two-year-olds he was rated at 8st. 11lb.—only one pound worse than this year's record-breaking champion Tulyar.

Early this season he ran twice, and won once, beating a good-class field at Newbury. Thrale considered that he would go on to win one or more of the Irish Classics—he was entered for them all. He was being prepared for the Derby Trial Stakes at Lingfield. This race was won by Tulyar. Had Sir Phoenix run, Thrale considers that he would have beaten Tulyar. He calls Sir Phoenix "a smashing horse."

But Sir Phoenix did not run for the Lingfield race. At exercise some days before he broke a fetlock.

On that May morning he was cantering over Epsom Downs with a boy riding. "Who don't quite know what happened," says Thrale. "Sir Phoenix didn't fall; but the boy riding reported

The accident that befell Happy Father was not quite so serious. Happy Father is a six-year-old jumper. At Kempton in February he was brought down by another horse, and dislocated a leg.

"But," says George Archibald, his Newmarket trainer, "we decided not to have him put down—for one thing he was not insured."

So the leg was put in a plaster cast, and Happy Father stood in his box for nine weeks undergoing treatment.

In July he was exercised with an old 18-year-old ex-jumper Carlton. In October he was given a trial over hurdles at Worcester. In his next race, a steeplechase at Huntingdon, he finished fourth.

In the flat-racing season just finished there were a number of

cases of broken legs among well-known horses. Mr. Boussac's valuable colt Marsyd, rounding Tottenham Corner in the Derby was kicked and broke a fetlock. He was destroyed on the course. Sugar Bowl, a good-class handicapper, met a similar fate earlier in the year. The Aga Khan's high-class colt Fraise du Bois II was also destroyed after breaking a leg.

Already the new jumping season has brought the inevitable accidents. One of the best steeplechasers in training, Rhodorus, had to be put down only a few weeks ago after breaking a leg at Fontwell Park. (World Copyright Reserved—London Express Service.)

Today, six months after the accident, the leg is mended. Sir Phoenix goes out to exercise and canter on the Downs again. He

The following teams have entered for the December darts and table tennis knock-out competitions of the Nine Dragons Services Club.

Darts—Willie "A" Coy. Willie "A" and "B", 210 LAA By RA, 200 LAA By RA; 50 Coy. Willie "A" and "B", 33 Gen Hospital "A" and "B", RAF (Armourers) RAF Kai Tak; 50 Gen Hospital "A" and "B", RAF Kai Tak v 210 LAA By RA.

Table Tennis—50 Coy. Willie "A" and "B", 210 LAA By RA, 200 LAA By RA; 50 Coy. Willie "A" and "B", 33 Gen Hospital "A" and "B", RAF (Armourers) RAF Kai Tak; 50 Gen Hospital "A" and "B", RAF Kai Tak v 210 LAA By RA.

The first round will be played at the Club on Thursday, December 4, at 7 p.m.

Darts—Winners match, December 4, 7 p.m. Willie "A" v Willie "A" v Comd Wkps REME "A", 33 Gen Hospital "A" v 50 Gen Hospital "A", 50 Gen Hospital "A" v 33 Gen Hospital "A".

Table Tennis—RAF Kai Tak v 210 LAA By RA.

The next monthly darts will be held at the Club on Tuesday, December 12.

Match Abandoned

Madras, Dec. 1.

There was again no play today—the last day of the fourth test match between India and Pakistan—because of rain.

France-Press.

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Army Basketball
Tournament

The Hongkong Other Rank knock-out basketball competition begins next week. Eight teams have entered, amongst them is the Hongkong Chinese Training Unit, who were Army Champions for two years.

They lost in the finals this year, by one goal scored in the last minute of the game, to the 1st Norfolk. Their closest rivals are 56 Coy R.A.S.C. whom they meet in the 1st Round.

HKCTU I v. 56 Coy RASC; HK Sqn R v. HK Sig Regt I; HKCTU II v. HK Sig Regt II; 81 Pack Tpt RASC v. 23 GIB Bty RA.

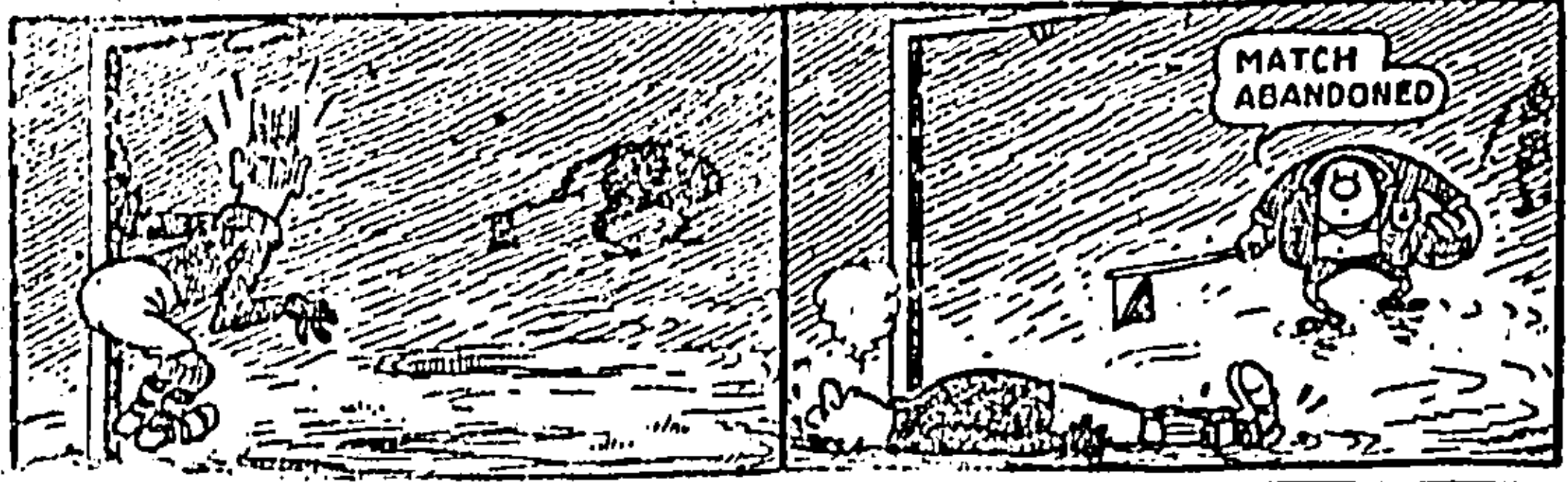
The first round will be completed by Saturday, Dec. 13.

THE GAMBOLE



SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



Turpin Announcement Means Much To British Boxing

Says DENNIS HART

Randolph Turpin's announcement that he will have a fight a month next year means much to British Boxing. There are two reasons. The first is that regular fighting may enable him to regain the form he showed when taking the world title from Sugar Ray Robinson. The second is economic, and affects British boxing as a whole.

A boxer can keep perfectly fit by road work and exercises in the gymnasium. But without fights he becomes 'ring rusty'. He loses that keen edge to his senses. For the animal in the forest it is kill or be killed, for the boxer in the ring it is hit or be hit. He must make maximum use of every opportunity.

APPARENT TO ALL

It was apparent to all who saw Turpin in his last fight against the South African,

SID BARNES "CLOWNING" AGAIN

Adelaide, Dec. 1.

The New South Wales Cricket Association is to be informed officially of Sid Barnes' "clowning" during the Sheffield match here on Saturday, the cricket writer of the Melbourne News said today.

The correspondent said he had learned from an official source that the South Australian Association was writing to the New South Wales body setting out the facts of the matter.

During a pause for drinks in the game between South Australia and New South Wales, Barnes walked on to the pitch wearing a business suit, dark glasses and carrying a towel, a tray of drinks and a portable radio.

Then he produced cigars, combed Keith Miller's hair, brushed down several players, held a mirror to them and sprayed some with deodorant.

Barnes, who was 12th man for New South Wales at his own request, left the field eight minutes later when there was only 29 minutes left for play.

Barnes said today: "There was no suggestion of a reprisal towards the Board of Control over their decision to omit him from the Test team or the selectors in my action. The players enjoyed the joke and I am sure the public got a laugh out of it too."

He added that the joke "backfired a bit" because of the delay in getting the gear off the field after the drink steward had gone back to the pavilion.—Reuter.

Victorian Tennis Championships

Kooyong, Dec. 1.

Vic Seixas to-day defeated Don Candy 6-2, 6-4, 6-3 in the second round of the Victorian Tennis Championships to enter the quarter-finals against Ken Rosewall.

Seixas, partnered by Hamilton Richardson, was leading Lew Head and Rosewall 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 in the doubles when play was abandoned owing to falling light.

In the other men's singles, Richardson beat Geoff Brown, 6-3, 5-7, 6-3, 13-11.

In the women's singles, Maureen Connolly defeated Mrs. Dawn Fogarty, 6-2, 6-2 in the second round.—United Press.

BRITISH BOXING FIGHTS AGAINST SPORTS TAX

London, Nov. 30.

British boxers are protesting against a big fight outside the ring against a 33 per cent sports tax which they claim to be squeezing the life out of professional boxing.

The British Boxing Board of Control is expected to approach the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Richard Butler, about the tax, which has now been in operation for about three months.—Reuter.

S. Australians Well Placed Against NSW

Adelaide, Dec. 1.

South Australia, with eight second innings wickets in hand, need a further 214 runs tomorrow to defeat New South Wales, the Sheffield Shield holders.

New South Wales, who were 18 runs behind on the first innings, scored 272 in their second innings.

South Australia, needing 257 to win, had scored 43 for two at the close of play.

New South Wales, 1st innings, 148 runs, 10 wickets, 1st innings, 153 runs, 10 wickets, 2nd innings, 272 runs, 8 wickets.

South Australia, 1st innings, 43 runs, 10 wickets, 2nd innings, 18 runs, 10 wickets.

Carroll, c. Langley b. Wilson, 148; Morris, b. Manning, 153; Miller, c. Langley b. Wilson, 153; Jackson, c. Langley b. Wilson, 153; Bennett, c. Noblet b. Hole, 153; Craig, b. Wilson, 153; Burke, c. Langley b. Noblet, 153; Davidson, b. Noblet, 153; Trueman, not out, 153.

Total 272. Bowling Analysis: O M R W. Noblet 10 6 45 3; Manning 15 2 54 1; Wilson 15 4 63 3; Hole 9 1 43 0.

SPRINGBOKS TOUR

Brisbane, Dec. 1.

A great fighting innings for 172 not out by wicket-keeper Russell Endean failed to dispel the possibility of the South African cricketers having to follow on against Queensland.

With one wicket in hand, they are 191 runs behind and still need 42 runs to save the follow-on, having scored 349 for nine in reply to Queensland's 540.

The match ends tomorrow, when the last day's play will produce a final score of 540 to 172, a record for a one-day match.

Endean's performance in the first innings has so far lasted 5½ hours and produced one six and nine fours.—Reuter.

Fred Wilt Wins Cross Country

Buffalo, N.Y., Nov. 30.

Fred Wilt, U.S. 5,000 and 10,000-metre star, racing champion, breezed across a snow-covered finish line here to-day to annex the National AAU 10,000-metre cross-country championship.

Wilt, whose time was 32:31, was closely followed by Horace Aschenfelder, Olympic steeple chase champion. Horace's brother, Bill, the defending champion, finished fourth. All three are members of the New York Athletic Club.

The third man is Ray Osterhout, a member of Syracuse University team. Osterhout this week finished second in the four-mile NCAA cross-country championship at East Lansing, Michigan.—United Press.

HOME RUGGER

London, Dec. 1.

Rugby Union result: Cambridge University 10, M.R. Steele-Bodger's Team 8.—Reuter.

Minor League Review

DODGERS HIT THREE HOMERS TO LEAD JUNIOR LEAGUE WITH UNDEFEATED RECORD

By "KEYSTONE"

Fred Diesta's "black magic" Dodgers jealously guarded their unblemished record with a rousing 11-6 victory over the persistent Comets last Saturday mainly on the strength of ability to hit in the clutches.

The Panda Cubs stayed right at the heels of the League leaders with a fine 8-5 win over Rennie Barretto's youthful Blackhaws, as the 35 Bantams were dumped into undisputed last place by the Green Griffins with a near shutout 18-1 score.

In a desperate bid to keep pennant hopes alive, wise old mentor S. Hamet of the flashy-uniformed Comets threw all the budding young talent at his disposal into the return encounter with the all-conquering Dodgers on Saturday.

Fred Diesta's gang, started the game uproariously when Alex Eusebio paraded a free base and made the key-stone sack in a wild scramble. Thirdbascker Tavares fled out to left, but slugging short-stop Onofre Souza stepped in to a groovy one and hoisted it into deep center for a profitable two-run homer.

The Shooting Stars zoomed back in their turn at bat, driving the plate twice when the cold arm of Dodger pitcher Vieira gave up three walks and a safe blow by D. Lang.

SMOOTH STICK-WORK

Continuing their smooth stick-work in the second stanza, the Dodgers resumed the lead when Eusebio opened second round activities with a booming round-tripper and two other runners scored on a series of miscues committed by the Comets' inner defence ring.

Both teams then settled down to steady ball, and no further scoring was done all the fifth inning when the Comets staged a successful rally to snatch back the lead with three runs manufactured on an equal number of hits.

Utility man M. Azim, called into the affray at this crucial stage of the game, justified his coach's manoeuvre by scoring a cold bingle and moved down to second on a sacrifice.

Comets' shortstop R. Lee then rapped out an infield grounder which O. Souza heaved wild to first, advancing Azim to scoring position while Lee scampered down to the Keystone sack.

D. Lang then potted out his second big hit of the day to bring the first run across the platter, while Lee scored the tying run on a following infield out. G. Hamet, next at bat, was paired with four balls and a free base in the hurry.

Though nicking Comets' pitcher R. Hamet for two solid hits in their half of the eventful fifth, the Dodgers were retired in thrilling one-two-three order when the Comets hurled down and fanned the two succeeding batters and forced the last out through a pop-up, extralining himself gloriously from an unenviable full-base, none-down situation.

However, Camarous Dodgers were not to be denied, drawing two walks and one hit by J. Acevedo in the sixth to tally twice and forge back into the front.

The Comets were blanked in the remaining innings, while in the last canto the Dodgers ended the see-saw battle with four markers on three roundouting hits, including O. Souza's second homer of the game which resulted in three back-breaking runs.

DISASTER

Falling victims to two double-plays and juggling the pill 11 disastrous times, the old-soldier 35 Bantams "faded away" with another major defeat in their Junior League campaign when the Green Griffins took them for an 18-1 joy-ride.

The die-hard gunners marked their only tally to spoil a shut-out for Griffins pitcher A.M. Hassan when hindquarter Evans took a free trip to first and crossed the pay-station on two successive hits by shortstop Alken and rightfielder Bentley.

The slug-happy Greens jumped on the juicy offerings of hurler Nicholson and turned the tables on the hard-luck gunners, unleashing a heavy barrage of base-blows to score in every inning.

Shortstop S. Kadir blasted the apple for three hits in five, while teammate K. Dallah made a handsome contribution to his

team's cause when he cleared the choked sacks with a rousing grand-slam homer in the first inning.

In Sunday's high-noon encounter, the fledgling Blackhaws' beaks and claws proved no match for the sharp fangs of the Panda Cubs.

Aby backing up their ace hurler, young Clyde Kwok, on whose brilliant pitching they have managed to salt away four gratifying wins thus far, the young Pandas further mangled the nose-diving Hawks with a comfortable 8-5 decision.

The Cubs started with a solitary marker in the first when lead-off batter Gary Yen bumbled a walk and, catching the infield napping, stole down to second, scooting all the way back to home-station when the ball was heaved wild past second into the centrefield pastures.

The baby bears went further ahead in the second stanza on a combination of slick base-running and infield errors, scoring twice more through Kenneth Tsang and Mickey Pan.

BACK IN THE RUNNING

Rennie Barretto's boys scrambled back into the running with two plate-dancers in the third when they put on their bunt-and-run act, and made further threatening moves with three more runs in the fifth and sixth cantos on hits by S. Squerra and V. Souza.

However, they never did reach within striking distance after the long third inning when the Pandas scored four crushing runs on five walks and nary a hit off the erratic deliveries of winumiller S. Gutierrez.

Chucker Clyde Kwok himself came up in the sixth to score, second baseman Charles Leung with a ringing hit after two away in a coup-de-grace gesture.

Centrefelder V. Souza led the Hawks' battering parade with two good hits in three times at bat, while Charles Leung, Clyde Kwok and Kenneth Tsang share three safe blows between them.

Their convincing win over the Blackhaws places the Panda Cubs securely in a lofty position second only to the pace-setting Dodgers.

HOW THEY STAND

Current Junior League team standings: Won Lost. Dodgers 6 0; Pandas 4 1; Griffins 2 2.

Malayans Play Combined Schools Tomorrow

The visiting Malaysian tennis team will be playing against a Combined School Boys selection at 2.30 p.m. tomorrow at the Chinese Recreation Club. The games are three singles and three doubles.

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London, Dec. 1.

The following were results of the F.A. Cup first round second replays:

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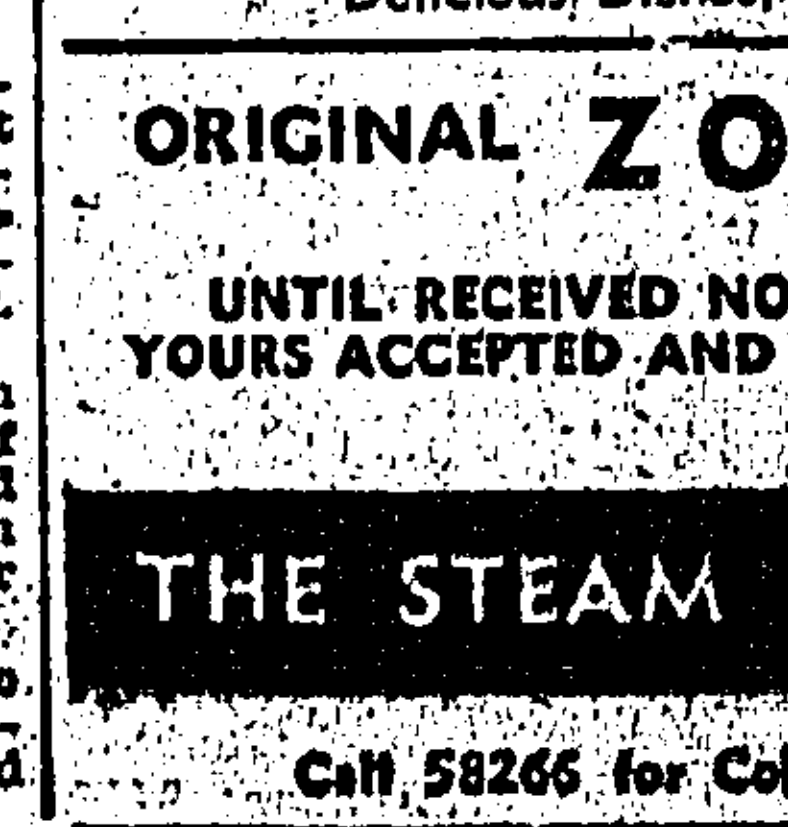
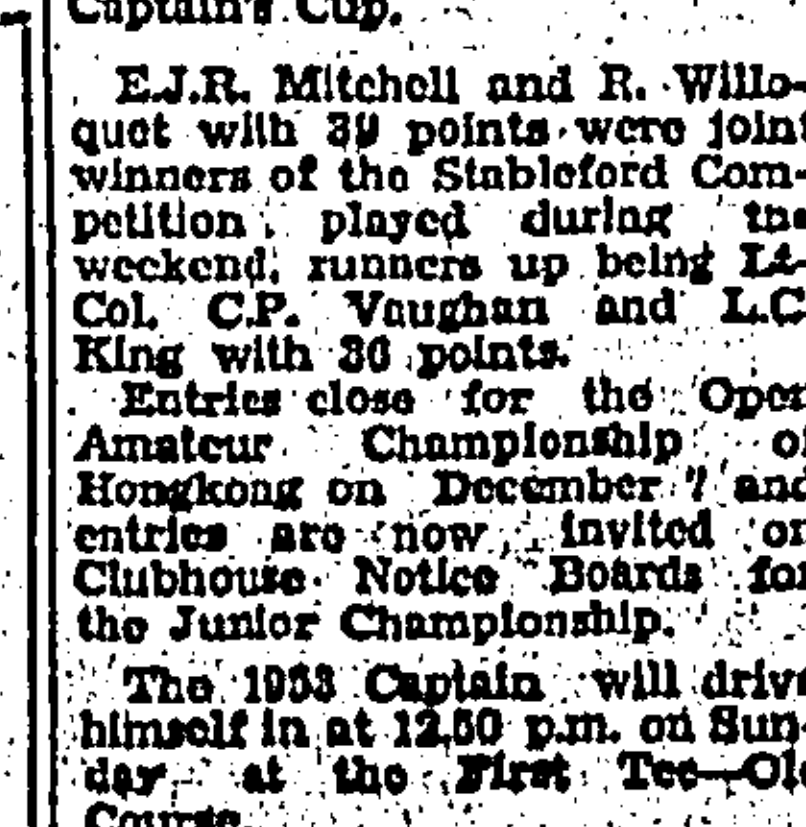
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Mr Critchley emphasised: They were not in favour of tearing down the system. They want the reform to come from within.

RED LEAFLETS SEIZED

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Senor Ruiz said: Mexico "is generally becoming more democratic and 'progress' no longer depends on a few men rapidly learning more of their duties and rights."

Senor Ruiz is 62. He said his Government will establish a system of penalties for officials who violate human rights.

He intended to "govern" for all, forgetting transitory election differences, and added: "Nobody should consider himself exposed to reprisals because his opinion was different from that of the vast majority."—Associated Press.

U.S. Mission Leaves

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Egypt Trying To Regain A Market

Alexandria, Dec. 1.

General Neguib's Government is sending its best cotton salesman to Japan to try to recapture Egypt's pre-war cotton market there.

Hassan el-Mawardi, the Egyptian Government's representative on the Alexandria Cotton Futures Market, told United Press he is proceeding shortly to Japan to study the existing cotton conditions there with the object of recovering Egypt's lost ground.

Before World War Two, he said, Egypt used to sell to Japan a yearly average of 700,000 kantars. Now the average is only 300,000 kantars.

"Egypt's present cotton policy concerning Japan," he said, "is to sell the Japanese another 400,000 kantars a year. This amount is at present being supplied to Japan by the United States, India and Pakistan."

Hassan el-Mawardi was Controller of the Cotton Department in the Egyptian Ministry of Finance when he was delegated on various missions abroad to stimulate the purchase of Egyptian cotton. His missions carried him to Germany, India, Pakistan, China and many other countries. He concluded several trade agreements, including that between Egypt and Germany.

El-Mawardi attributed Egypt's loss of ground in the Japanese cotton market to the war dislocation of trade and to the post-war difficulties in payment, due to the fact that the Japanese were not free in matters of financial exchange.

BARTER PLAN

At present, he said, the main difficulty was still financial exchange. However, he hoped that Egypt might be able to overcome this difficulty by arranging a barter system. The Ministry of Commerce and Industry is drawing up for

Rice Supplies In P.I.

Manila, Dec. 1.

Abundance of rice in the Philippines is forecast for the coming year.

Buenaventura C. Lopez, executive secretary of the National Federation of Philippine Farmers, believes rice self-sufficiency could be attained in two years or even earlier.

"I believe that we shall not have to import rice in 1953, barring typhoons, floods and other major calamities between now and the middle of December," Associated Press.

Trade Fair In Manila

Manila, Dec. 1.

The Republic of the Philippines—'show window of Democracy in the Far East'—will play host to 10 nations in the First International Fair in Asia. The exposition will be held here from Feb. 1 to April 30.

The Philippines will attempt to focus the world's attention on her cultural, commercial and industrial progress in the last 500 years. She will project into the international spotlight her achievements from the time the intrepid and adventurous Malays migrated to her shores to the day the Spanish "Conquistadores" established a foothold on Cebu in 1521, through the American regime and the first six years of her independence.

President Elpidio Quirón will open the exposition with appropriate ceremonies. All the diplomatic and consular representatives of foreign governments are expected to participate. For 80 days this 70-month-old Republic will throw wide open her doors to people from all parts of the globe to witness her progress and enjoy her hospitality.

The Philippines International Fair is so designed that this nation and the world can pause to review Philippine contributions to world civilization. It will show the country's natural resources, possibilities of industrial development and commercial and tourist attractions.

TWO MILLION

The latest estimate is that more than 2,000,000 persons from this country and foreign nations will visit the international fair.

But the visitor will see in the Philippines International Fair an attempt at something new in exhibitions—a series of things to look at, arranged in a particular order so as to tell one continuous interwoven story on Philippines progress.

Foreign participation envisages a practical demonstration of the latest and best in human achievements and creations. Participating nations have especially designed pavilions to display their latest inventions and cultural developments.

The countries participating are the United States, Spain, Nationalist China, Thailand, Vietnam, Italy, Sweden, Cambodia, Indonesia and Belgium. Philippines cultural progress is now at an important feature. Colourful pageants featuring traditional Filipino dances and music as well as those of participating nations will provide entertainment for the visitors.

The exposition site is the spacious United Nations plaza and two adjacent parks—the historic Luneta and Manila's sunken gardens. The fair ground fronts on beautiful Manila Bay—covers an area of a little less than 110 acres.

The fair ground is meticulously designed and landscaped by well-known Filipino architects—Associated Press.

Redemption Of Wartime Banknotes

Manila, Dec. 1.

The Philippines Government will begin tomorrow redeeming bank notes illegally circulated by the Japanese during the wartime occupation, the National Treasurer, Vicente G. Gella, announced.

The Government has appropriated 1,000,000 pesos under authorization from Congress for the cash redemption programme. However, reports from provincial and city treasurers indicate the illegally circulated notes total 8,000,000 pesos.

Mr. Gella said that unless Congress authorizes additional funds for this purpose, the balance will have to remain unpaid.

No person is allowed to receive more than 1,000 pesos—Associated Press.

Anticipatory Action Needed To Prevent UK Inflation

(By Norman Crump)

London.

When driving a car over a straight, switch-back road, one usually accelerates just before reaching the bottom of each dip, and slows down when still just short of the subsequent crest.

The same line of thought ran through the 1944 White Paper on "Employment Policy."

In discussing ways of preventing both booms and slumps, the White Paper said "The crucial moment for intervention is at the first onset of the depression."

The same need for anticipatory action is equally urgent when there is danger of inflation.

Since the end of the war, we have lived under conditions of full employment, and until recently a world "seller's market." The need, therefore, has been to apply the brakes rather than tread on the accelerator.

Today, however, the evidence regarding our economic position is more conflicting. There is some recovery in the textile trades, compared with the early part of the year.

The October export returns were reasonably good, particularly in respect of our sales to North America.

SOME SIGNS

While there are sporadic pockets of unemployment, there is no sign of actual or impending "mass unemployment" of the kind discussed in the 1944 White Paper. The cost-of-living is fairly stable.

There are, however, certain danger signs. One of these is a general reluctance to buy household goods. This is based on the belief that purchases tax cannot rise further, and is quite likely to be reduced.

This belief not only deters the public from buying but also makes retailers unwilling to hold stocks, for they fear the loss that they will incur if purchases tax is reduced.

A Sudden Change. Next there are the reactions of the import restrictions imposed by overseas countries.

One example is the sudden change in the fortunes of the motor trade—from a scarcity almost to an abundance of new cars.

This example is particularly apt, for it shows how quickly the trade curve can reverse its trend, and, therefore, how essential it is to apply the appropriate remedies almost in advance of their need.

Those who watch the foreign exchanges will have seen how Sterling strengthened, once we had raised Bank Rate and imposed other measures of monetary discipline.

They will also have seen how the dollar strengthened slightly after Mr. Eisenhower's victory.

PRICE TREND. Rightly or wrongly, this points to a belief that Republican Administration may follow our own Conservative Government in making money dearer and less plentiful. This in turn may demand the potential American demand for consumer goods.

Finally there is the trend of commodity prices. Here again the evidence is not conclusive, for some commodities continue to command high prices. Yet the general trend this autumn has been downwards, and the average cost of our raw material imports is substantially lower than it was a year ago.

It would be premature to suggest that all this evidence points conclusively to an approaching world depression.

On the contrary, there are at the moment signs of a recovery, which may last at least until next spring. Rearmament, war in various parts of the world and the lack of a general atmosphere of peace, all work in this direction.

BANK RATE. A general war is held to be less than it was a year ago, and there is a chance of an end to the Korean campaign.

All in all, it is becoming time to consider what could be done to avert a threatened depression, simply because plans must be laid well in advance of such an eventuality.

The first and simplest thing to do would be to reduce Bank Rate and grant credit more freely.

Thanks to the fact that Bank Rate now stands at 4 per cent instead of 2 per cent we have room to do that.

This is an additional justification for the present Government's return to the use of the monetary PURCHASE TAX.

Next we can reduce taxation. Within limits Purchase Tax can be varied by administrative action. If it is true that the population of a reduction in Purchase Tax is holding up trade, then the sooner it is reduced the better.

And once it is reduced, it should be kept stable, because experience has shown how disturbing variations in this tax can be.

The 1944 White Paper deliberately envisaged a Budget deficit in times of depression. Set this doctrine alongside the present crippling burden of taxation, and the need for drastic reductions becomes imperative. If the time is thought ripe to take the brakes off and apply the accelerator, then the Government should seriously consider such concessions as a shilling off the income-tax, the raising of the sur-tax "starting-point" from £2,000 to £2,500 a year, reductions in Profits Tax, and the withdrawal of the Excess Profits Levy.

AMPLE WEAPONS

If further concessions are thought necessary, it might be worth while to take another look at the White Paper's suggestion for reducing insurance contributions when unemployment rose above a certain level.

Next, controls of all kinds could be modified and licences granted more freely. The sole justification for a control is that there is a shortage, but the essence of a depression is that there are surpluses rather than shortages.

The Government are already moving towards greater freedom from control. This movement could be easily accelerated.

It is abundantly clear that the Government has ample weapons at its disposal. Some could be used quickly, but others might have to await the Budget. The most difficult task remains. That is to decide if and when we are passing from inflation into deflation. We are doing so very fast, and it is time that Ministers and their advisers kept their eyes open.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$248,461.65. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES
BANKS
HSBC Bank 1425 1440 20 1435
151 140 0 152

INSURANCES
Union 710 10 715
10 710 0 715

SHIPPING
DOCKERS, ETC.
K. P. 2915 2915 0 2915
2915 2915 0 2915

PROVIDENT
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SHAL DOCK
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WHEAT
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HONGKONG
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LAND, ETC.
HSBC Land 670 3000 0 670
670 3000 0 670

SHAL LAND
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UTILITIES
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Macao Elec. 11.20 11.20 0 11.20
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INDUSTRIALS
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1915 1915 0 1915

Rops, ETC.
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20.60 20.60 0 20.60

Daily 10.80 10.80 0 10.80
10.80 10.80 0 10.80

Wagon 24.90 24.90 0 24.90
24.90 24.90 0 24.90

CHINA
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MISCELLANEOUS
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United Press

Germany Making Inroads

Increased Trade With S.E. Asia

Tokyo, Dec. 1.

West Germany is making inroads into Japan's trade with Southeast Asian countries, according to the Economic Board's survey.

The survey revealed that Germany's exports to Southeast Asia recently surpassed the 1934-1936 level.

Although total exports by Germany to Southeast Asia during January to August this year (US\$18,000,000) were less than those of Japan (US\$104,000,000), Germany in certain items sold more than equivalent Japanese goods, particularly fertilisers and machines.

During the period under review, Japan exported some US\$82,000,000 worth of textile goods, that is one half of the total exports, followed by US\$41,500,000 in metal products, that is one-fourth of the total.

West Germany, on the other hand, exported about US\$55,000,000 worth of machinery, that is about one-half, followed by metal products with about US\$28,000,000.

Germany sold more than Japan to India—respective figures being about US\$36,000,000 against US\$11,000,000 sold to Malaya and British Borneo.

CEMENT EXPORTS

The Cement Exporters Association in the second preliminary estimate placed the nation's exports of cement for November at 74,015 tons.

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ECONOMIC MISSION

Taipei, Dec. 1.

A 14-man economic mission representing business interests in Kyushu, Japan, arrived here today for a five-day visit to Formosa. The group was headed by Yoshio Nouchi, a newspaperman—Associated Press.

Pakistan Mission To Japan

Tokyo, Dec. 1.

An agricultural mission from Pakistan is here to learn why Japan's per acre farm production is so high in order to increase Pakistan's agricultural production, Kyodo News Agency reported today.

A. K. Malle, Pakistani land development official and spokesman for the 27-member group which arrived by air yesterday, said the mission intends study work in rural areas and will make a technical survey of farmers' activities.

Agricultural education, public work and health and women's life will also be covered, Mr. Malle said.

He added that Pakistan welcomes Japan's agricultural technical aid, although importation of Japanese technicians is slow because of the high salaries they demand—Associated Press.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Dec. 1.

The tin market was steady this morning. Turnover was 65 tons, including five tons for cash. Prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:

Spot tin, buyers 021
Spot tin, sellers 021
Business done at 021
Three-month tin, buyers 042 1/2
Three-month tin, sellers 042 1/2
Settlement 042 1/2
United Press

Rubber Futures In S'pore

Singapore, Dec. 1.

Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows—per lb.
January 011 1/2
February 011 1/2
March 011 1/2
Number 1 rubber, January 011 1/2
Number 2 rubber, January 011 1/2
Number 3 rubber, January 011 1/2
Rubber, unsmoked 011 1/2
Planters' crop 011 1/2
No. 1 pale crepe 011 1/2
United Press

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"TIANWANG" Dec. 8	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 9	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America
"TIANWANG" Dec. 10	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 11	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Doll
"TIANWANG" Dec. 12	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 13	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America
"TIANWANG" Dec. 14	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Doll
"TIANWANG" Dec. 15	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 16	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America
"TIANWANG" Dec. 17	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Doll
"TIANWANG" Dec. 18	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 19	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America
"TIANWANG" Dec. 20	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Doll
"TIANWANG" Dec. 21	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 22	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America
"TIANWANG" Dec. 23	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Doll
"TIANWANG" Dec. 24	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 25	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America
"TIANWANG" Dec. 26	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Doll
"TIANWANG" Dec. 27	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 28	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America
"TIANWANG" Dec. 29	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Doll
"TIANWANG" Dec. 30	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIANWANG" Dec. 31	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & S. America

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SAILINGS	To
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"TASMAN" Dec. 6	Japan
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Country
Week-End

YOU could picture the reaction of Archie's friends, down in Worcester-shire, when he turned up for the week-end in the handsome American car.

ARCHIE, who is 23, is a pleasant-looking, well-mannered young man without much money. He seems several times to have missed the chance of enjoying an income that would bear some relation to his tastes and allow him to keep pace with his friends.

WITH an income of £7 a week, of course, the scope you have for driving powerful cars is limited; and it is a measure of Archie's resourcefulness that he found a means to gratify his longing. He hired himself out as a part-time chauffeur to a member of a foreign mission here, who owned the magnificent American car.

THE owner returned from his trip abroad, telephoned the garage to ask about his car, and was told Archie had taken it out a couple of days before and not yet returned it. The owner telephoned the police and reported his car had been stolen.

THE story was told to Mr. Bertman Reese, the magistrate, and Archie's solicitor said: "His father is fully prepared to exert sterner control over him in the future than he has done hitherto."

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Trouble Flares
Up In The
Migrant Camps

FROM H. KING-WOOD.

Sydney, Nov. 28. The migrant volcano which has been simmering gently all over Australia since money became tight and jobs scarce broke out in an unexpected quarter last weekend. Europeans, who have been in the trouble spots over the last few months, are apparently taking a rest and the spotlight has shifted to our New Australians from Britain.

Trouble flared up in migrant camps in Adelaide, Melbourne and Sydney, and was set off by the eviction of some migrants from hostel camps, authorities claiming that these people are among thousands who have not paid their increased hostel fees.

This dispute about fees has been going on since last April when tariffs were increased and some migrants claimed that the increase was not justified and refused to pay.

After a particularly ugly incident in Melbourne last week-end when eviction officers were stoned, nearly 1,000 migrants marched through the city streets carrying banners and singing their "migrant" song.

On Monday a meeting of the British Migrants' Welfare Association decided that if any more of its members were evicted, 20,000 British migrants would walk out of hostels throughout Australia and would demand immediate repatriation to Britain.

Head of Hostels, Ltd., a semi-Government set-up charged with the running of these hostels, said evictions will go on if migrants don't pay their way, but the responsible Minister, Mr. Holt, pouring a little oil on troubled waters, has promised to set up a committee to see if the complaints can't be ironed out.

THE DANGER. Danger there, of course, is that the migrant problem is so thorny that his oil could easily help feed the flames.

The hundreds of thousands of migrants brought into this country over the last few years have been welcome and there is not the slightest doubt that they filled a big hole in our manpower problem, but with jobs getting less every day, and more and more migrants joining the ranks of unemployed, the situation in the next few months is going to need careful handling.

THE Minister, however, kept his word and immediately set up a committee to probe the dispute. It is headed by a member of Parliament, two migrants, secretary of the Dept of Labour and National Service and a representative of the UK High Commissioner along with observers.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"My ancestors were dumb! I'll bet none of those crusty old pioneers ever even thought of rocketing to the moon!"

No Change Of
Inscriptions
Possible Yet

The Postmaster General, Mr. L. C. Saville, told the China Mail today in response to an enquiry that the inscription "G.R." for "George Rex" at present on the Colony's letter-boxes are not likely to give way to "E.R." for Majesty the Queen's initials, for some considerable time.

WINS BBC
PRIZE

Mr. T. B. Low, Assistant Director of Marine in Hongkong, is among radio listeners in the Southeast Asia region first prize winners in a BBC competition held last May.

Listeners were invited to give their opinions on programmes broadcast over a fortnight in the BBC's General Overseas Service and "London Calling Asia" series.

Prizes were offered for the best letters of constructive criticism.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.02 Melody from the Stars; 6.30 Cantonese by Radio guided by Miss Lee Wai-lan and Miss Lee (Studio); 6.50 Musical Interlude—Cyril Smith (Piano); 7.00 Time Signal, World News and News Talk (London); 7.10 15 Box 200; 7.15 Port of Call at the Console; 7.20 Forces Favourites (London); 7.30 15.00 Weather Report; 8.00 15.00 (Studio); 8.10 (Studio); 8.15 Musical Optimists and Sundry Light Music; 8.30 Letter from America by Allister Cooke (General Relay); 8.45 "Two Grand" Arthur Wittern; 9.00 Jack Lowe (Two Piano with Orch.); 9.10 Appointment with Music; 9.20 Musical Notebook presented by The Rev. T. F. Ryan, R.C. 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